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Re: WILLIAM PERL

Date: 1/78
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532	9/10/57	NY REPORT TO HQ	126	126	Referred to another agency duplicate 1

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✓ 533	9/25/51	(Re: Interview w/ Grigorii A. Tokaev) Memo to file	17	0	
✓ 533	9/26/51	Belmont Memo to Ladd	3	2	
○ 534	9/29/51	NY Letter to HQ	1	1	
✓ 535	10/2/51	NY Letter to HQ	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
? 535	10/23/51	HQ Letter to NY	1	0	referred to another govt agency
✓ 536	10/2/51	NY Letter to HQ	1	1	
✓ 537	9/26/51	NY Teletype to HQ, CG	3	3	
○ 538	9/29/51	HQ Letter to NY	3	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 539	10/4/51	WFO Letter to HQ	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 540	10/4/51	CG Letter to HQ	1	1	
✓ 541	9/28/51	NY Teletype to HQ	2	2	
✓ 541	10/1/51	w/SEARCH SLIP HQ Teletype to NY	1	1	

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✓ 542	9/29/51	CG Teletype to HQ, NY	3	3	
✓ 543	10/2/51	NY Letter to HQ	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 544	10/5/51	^{W/COPY OF COVER PG} DE Report to HQ	3	3	
✓ 545	10/4/51	NY Letter to HQ	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY ^{1 copy}
✓ 546	10/4/51	3 rd party Letter to HQ	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 546	10/27/51	HQ Letter to NY	2	2	
✓ 547	10/6/51	NF Letter to HQ	1	1	
✓ 548	10/2/51	LEGAT PARIS CABLEGRAM TO HQ	1	1	
✓ 548	10/3/51	HQ Teletype to NY	1	1	
✓ 549	9/28/51	NY Teletype to HQ, WFO	1	1	
✓ 549	9/25/51	HQ Teletype to NY, WFO	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 550	10/1/51	HQ Teletype to Legat, London	1	1	

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✓ 551	9/6/51	KX Letter to HQ	9	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 552	9/26/51	WFO Teletype to HQ, NY	1	1	
✓ 552	10/1/51	HQ Letter to Legat, Paris	4	4	
✓ 553	10/3/51	^{w/ COPY OF COVER PAGE} Legat, Paris Report to HQ	4/1	4/1	1 dup
✓ 553	10/26/51	HQ Letter to NY	1	1	
✓ 554	10/6/51	CV Letter to HQ	1	1	
✓ 555	10/8/51	NY Letter to HQ	7	7	
✓ 555	10/24/51	HQ Letter to CV	4	4	
✓ 556	10/6/51	^{w/2 ENCL. & w/ COPY OF COVER PG.} CV Report to HQ	7/2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY.
✓ 556	10/23/51	HQ Letter to AAG	1	1	
✓ 557	9/30/51	NY Teletype to HQ, WFO	2	2	
✓ 557	10/3/51	HQ Letter to Legat, Paris	1	1	

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✓ 558	9/28/51	Belmont Memo to Ladd	3	2	
✓ 558	9/28/51	HQ Teletype to Legat London	1	0	
✓ 559	10/10/51	NY Teletype to HQ, WFO	1	1	
✓ 560	10/2/51	NY Teletype to HQ, CG	4	4	
✓ 561	10/8/51	Belmont Memo to Ladd	3	1	
✓ 561	10/8/51	HQ Letter to Army	3	0	
✓ 562	10/8/51	Treasury Dept Letter to AG	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 563	10/4/51	NY Teletype to HQ	1	1	
✓ 564	10/4/51	WFO Teletype to HQ, NY	1	1	
✓ 565	10/5/51	CG Teletype to HQ, NY, CV	2	2	
✓ 566	10/8/51	HQ Teletype to AEC	3	1	
✓ 567	10/8/51	LEGAT PARIS CABLEGRAM TO HQ	1	1	

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✓567	10-12-51	HQ LETTER NY	1	1	
✓568	10-18-51	CG LETTER HQ	1	1	
*569	10-11-51	HENNRICH MEMO BELMONT	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓569	10-11-51	HQ LETTER AAG	1	1	
*570	10-1-51	AAG LETTER HQ	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓571	10-19-51	NY LETTER HQ	6	6	
✓571	11-6-51	HQ LETTER CV	1	1	
✓572	10-16-51	NY LETTER HQ	4	4	
✓573	10-27-51	CV LETTER HQ	2	2	
✓574	10-26-51	CV LETTER HQ	1	1	
✓575	10-24-51	HQ LETTER NY	2 1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓576	10-23-51	HQ LETTER NACA	1	1	

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✓ 577	10-31-51	NY LETTER HQ	2	2	
✓ 577	11-30-51	HQ LETTER NY	1	1	
✓ NR	10-30-51	HQ LETTER AL	2	0	SEE HQ 65-58236-182
✓ 578	10-31-51	NY LETTER HQ	2	2	
✓ 578	11-30-51	HQ LETTER NY	1	1	
✓ 579	10-30-51	CG LETTER HQ	1	1	
✓ 580	10-31-51	ARMY LETTER HQ	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 580	10-17-51	Encl. to Army LETTER HQ	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 580	10-3-51	Encl. to Army LETTER HQ	4	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 580	11-16-51	HQ LETTER NY	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 581	11-7-51	CV LETTER HQ	4	4	
✓ 581	11-30-51	HQ LETTER CV	1	1	

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✓ 582	11-8-51	NY LETTER HQ	1	1	
✓ 583	11-5-51	LEGAT PARIS LETTER TO HQ	3	3	
✓ 583	11-5-51	Encl. to LEGAT PARIS LETTER TO HQ	3	3	
✓ 584	11-8-51	AL LETTER HQ	1	1	
✓ 585	10-30-51	LEGAT PARIS (M)BLGRAM to HQ	1	0	
✓ 586	11-1-51	HQ LETTER NY	1	1	
✓ 587	11-14-51	CV LETTER HQ	1	1	
* 588	11-16-51	WFO LETTER HQ	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ 589	11-2-51	NY TELETYPE HQ	2	2	
✓ 590	11-14-51	NY TELETYPE HQ	1	1	
✓ 591	11-2-51	NY TELETYPE HQ	4	4	
✓ 591	11-20-51	HQ LETTER NY	1	1	

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✓ 592	11-29-51	WFO LETTER HQ	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
* 593	11-16-51	Emrich memo Branigan	1	1	
○ * 594	11-5-51	LEAF PARIS CABLEGRAM TTB HQ	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
* 594	11-21-51	HQ LETTER NY w/ SEARCH SLIPS	3 3	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
* 595	11-16-51	Emrich memo Branigan	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
✓ NR	11-26-51	HENNRICH MEMO TO BELMONT RE: Dr. Poly Karp Kusch	3	3	
✓ 596	11-29-51	BELMONT MEMO LADD	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
○ ✓ 597	11-30-51	WFO LETTER HQ	1	1	
✓ 598	11-29-51	HQ REPORT CV	3	3	
✓ 599	11-28-51	NF REPORT HQ w/ COPY OF COVER PAGE	3 1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY.
✓ 600	11-30-51	HQ LETTER NY w/search slip	3	3	
✓ 601	11-30-51	HQ LETTER NY	1	1	

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			Actual	Released	
✓602	12-10-51	CI LETTER HQ	3	3	
✓602	1-4-52	HQ LETTER CI <i>w/attach slips</i>	2	2	
✓NR	10-29-51	LEGAT LONDON LETTER HQ	10	1	
✓603	11-1-51	HENNRICH MEMO BELMONT	3	2	
✓604	11-27-51	KEAY MEMO BELMONT	1	1	
✓605	12-5-51	HQ LETTER NY	2	0	
✓605	11-28-51	Encl. HQ LETTER NY	7	0	
✓NR	12-5-51	HQ LETTER CIA	1	0	
✓606	12-12-51	WFO LETTER HQ	2	2	
✓607	12-11-51	CV LETTER HQ	2	2	
✓608	12-13-51	NY LETTER HQ	1	1	
✓609	12-5-51	HQ LETTER ARMY	1	0	

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✓ 610	12-10-51	WFO LETTER TO HQ + NY	1	1	
✓ 611	12-5-51	HQ LETTER AEC	1	0	
✓ NR	12-10-51	HQ LETTER AAG	1	1	
✓ 612	12-14-51	NK REPORT HQ W/COPY OF COVER PAGE	3 1	3 1	1 dup.
			1	0	

Serial Number	Date of Serial	DELETION (S)
533	9/25/51	This document has been classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 on 3/14/78 and it bears the Classification Officer's Number 4913.
558	9/28/51	Same as above.
561	10/8/51	Same as above.
605 w/encl. Not Recorded	10/5/51	Same as above.
609	12/5/51	Same as above.
611	12/5/51	Same as above.
585	10/30/51	Some information in this document has been classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 on 3/14/78 and it bears the Classification Officer's Number 4913. Also, the information remaining in this document has been deleted because it relates solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of this Bureau.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

DATE: September 26, 1951

FROM : MR. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka
William Mutterperl
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PERJURY

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To indicate that Mr. Robert L. Bell, Security Officer, NACA, desires this information at once to enable his conferring relative thereto with Henry J. E. Reid, Director of NACA Laboratory, Langley Field, Virginia, who is leaving September 30, 1951.

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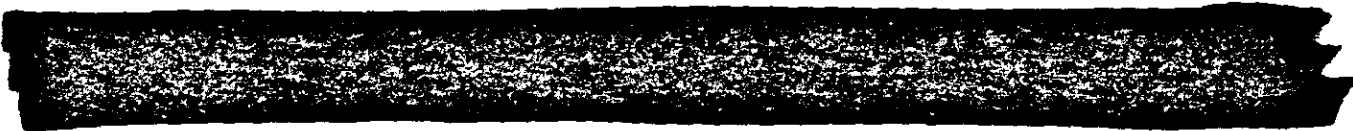
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RECOMMENDATION

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E.F.

It is recommended that the original and one copy of this blind memorandum be immediately delivered to Mr. Bell of NACA so as to enable him to have an immediate conference relative thereto with Mr. Reid, Director of NACA Laboratory, Langley Field, Virginia.

If this meets with your approval the attached memorandum should be returned to Supervisor E. F. Emrich for delivery to Mr. Bell.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
 FROM : SAC, New York
 SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa
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DATE: September 29, 1951

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Re: SA Fred A. Coats, Norfolk, 8/7/51 and 8/23/51. Ref: 8/7/51 reflects that the photographic record of checks drawn by WILLIAM MUTTERPERL on his account at Merchants National Bank, Hampton, Virginia, was examined for period January 1941 to January 19, 1944. Detailed information was furnished the New York Division concerning these items.

Ref: 8/23/51 contains information concerning activity in subject's account at Merchants National Bank from May 16, 1939 to January 11, 1941, but does not indicate whether the photographic record was examined for this period.

Inasmuch as this office is attempting to obtain documentary evidence of PERL'S acquaintance or relationship with various members of the JULIUS ROSENBERG espionage ring, it is requested that if available, a photographic record for subject's account for period May 16, 1939 to January 11, 1941, be examined. Further, that a description be obtained of all items drawn by MUTTERPERL on his account regardless of the amount of the check. It is not necessary that photographs of these items be obtained at this time.

In view of the nature of this investigation it is requested that this matter be expedited and results forwarded immediately.

cc - Norfolk (65-514) (AIRMAIL)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)
FROM : SAC, New York
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

DATE: October 2, 1951

On April 2, 1945, the following Series E bonds were purchased at the Industrial Bank of Commerce (Morris Plan Industrial Bank) New York City, in the name of MAX SOLOMAN, 936 Tiffany Street and/or Mrs. SARAH SELTZER:

<u>Denomination</u>	<u>Bond Number</u>
One \$100.00	C100,109,098
One 500.00	D 12,685,981
Six 1,000.00	M 9,763,801,2,3,4,5,6

Chicago is requested to contact the United States Treasury Department, Savings and Loan Division, and obtain complete details of all United States bond purchases and redemptions made by MAX SOLOMAN or SARAH SELTZER, 936 Tiffany Street, Bronx, New York.

You are requested to handle this expeditiously.

2cc Chicago

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
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Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

G.I.R. 2

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DIRECTOR AND SAC

DEFERRED

WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESP R., PERJURY. RE WFO TEL SEPT TWO SIX INSTANT.

WILLIAM PERL-S EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR FEB., FIFTY WHILE EMPLOYED

AT NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS REFLECTED THAT HE

LEFT CLEVELAND, OHIO, AT TWO FIFTY PM ON FEB. ONE, FIFTY VIA UNITED

AIRLINES AND RETURNED VIA UAL LEAVING NYC AT EIGHT FIFTEEN AM ON

FEB. SIX, FIFTY AND ARRIVING IN CLEVELAND TEN TWENTYFIVE AM THAT DATE.

NO EXPENSE ACCOUNT WAS LOCATED FOR PERL DURING JAN., FIFTY. MR.

C.R. SCHENKERBERG, SUPERVISOR OF RESERVATION SALES, UAL, NYC, ADVISED

THIS DATE THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO VERIFY A PASSENGER-S FLIGHT BY OBTAINING

HIS ORIGINAL TICKET BY NAME. HE STATED THAT THE RECORDS MAY BE VERIFIED

BY CHECKING WITH MR. C.J. QUARTERMUS, UAL, INC. REVENUE ACCOUNTING

DEPT., FIVE NINE FIVE NINE SOUTH CICERO AVE., CHICAGO, ILL.,

FOR A SEVEN YEAR PRIOR PERIOD. MR. SCHENKERBERG ALSO ADVISED THAT

UAL RESERVATION CARDS ARE MAINTAINED AT THE POINT WHERE RESERVATION

PLACED FOR A PERIOD OF SEVEN YEARS. CHICAGO WILL VERIFY WILLIAM

PERL-S TRIP TO NYC FROM CLEVELAND AND RETURN ON FEB. ONE AND FEB. SIX,

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FIFTY. PERL IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN IN NYC ON OR ABOUT JAN. TWO NINE, FIFTY AND IN CONTACT WITH MAXWELL FINESTONE AND WELDON BURCE DAYTON. THEREFORE, IT IS REQUESTED TO CHECK UAL FOR THE ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF JAN. TWO EIGHT DASH THREE ONE, FIFTY FOR ANY TRAVEL PERFORMED BY PERL BETWEEN CLEVELAND AND NEW YORK. FOR THE INFO OF THE CHICAGO OFFICE PERL RESIDED IN THE JANUARY DASH FEBRUARY, FIFTY PERIOD AT ONE SIX EIGHT ZERO TWO LARCHWOOD AVE., CLEVELAND, OHIO, AND WAS EMPLOYED BY NACA. CHICAGO IS ALSO REQUESTED TO CHECK UAL RECORDS FOR ALL FLIGHTS, NYC, TO CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR PERIOD DEC TWENTY DASH THIRTY, FOUR FOUR, FOR JULIUS ROSENBERG. CLEVELAND REQUESTED TO CHECK UAL FOR RESERVATION FOR WILLIAM PERL FOR PERL-S ALLEGED ROUNDTRIP TO NYC, FEB ONE AND SIX, FIFTY AND FOR AN APPROPRIATE PERIOD PRIOR TO THESE DATES, IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE ANY RESERVATIONS COVERING THE JAN TWO EIGHT DASH THREE ONE, FIFTY, PERIOD. IN EVENT RECORDS LOCATED FOR ANY FLIGHTS PERFORMED BY PERL AND ROSENBERG, THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE OBTAINED

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AND FORWARDED TO THE NYO OR IN THE EVENT THAT UNABLE TO DO SO ARRANGEMENT SHOULD BE MADE IN ORDER TO KEEP THESE DOCUMENTS IN A SAFE PLACE. WILL ALSO CHECK AS REQUESTED ABOVE FOR TICKET ISSUED TO VIVIAN GLASSMAN IN THE NAME OF MRS. S. GOLDBERG ON JULY TWENTY TWO, FIFTY FOR FLIGHT SIX FOUR THREE, NYC TO CLEVELAND, OHIO. WILL ASCERTAIN IF THIS WAS A ROUND TRIP TICKET AND IF NOT A ROUND TRIP TICKET WILL ENDEAVOR TO LOCATE TICKET USED BY VIVIAN GLASSMAN AS MRS. GOLDBERG ON FLIGHT SIX FOUR TWO, CLEVELAND, OHIO TO NYC ON JULY TWENTY THREE, FIFTY. IF THE ORIGINALS OF THE ABOVE TICKETS CANNOT BE OBTAINED PHOTOSTATIC COPIES SHOULD BE OBTAINED FOR PRESERVATION OF THESE RECORDS. WILL ALSO ASCERTAIN IF ANY OTHER RECORD OF THESE FLIGHTS IS AVAILABLE AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRESERVATION THEREOF.

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CLEVELAND ADVISED

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: October 4, 1951

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

Reference is made to mytel dated September 28, 1951 re the above captioned case.

Enclosed herewith for New York are the following photostats which were furnished the Chicago Office on October 2, 1951 by Mr. C. J. QUENTERMUS, Manager of Revenue Accounting, United Air Lines, Inc., Chicago, Illinois:

1. The original coupon (auditor's coupon) and duplicate copies (flight coupons one and two) of ticket number 162A-381818 issued on July 22, 1950 at New York City to passenger Mrs. S. GOLDBERG for transportation New York to Cleveland and return via United Air Lines, and
2. the original coupon (auditor's coupon) and duplicate copies of (flight coupons one and two) of ticket number 162A-170691 issued on January 31, 1950 at Cleveland, Ohio to passenger Mr. WILLIAM PERL for transportation Cleveland to New York and return

It is to be noted that the accompanying photostats have been certified by Mr. C. J. QUENTERMUS as being true copies of the originals and that the signature of Mr. QUENTERMUS has been duly notarized.

The New York Office is also advised that the originals of the above are being preserved by United Air Lines, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for an indefinite period.

cc - New York (65-15387) (Encs.)

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Miss Gandy

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WASH FROM NEW YORK 50 28 4-59 P
 DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA. ESP R, PERJURY. RENYLET SEPT TWENTYTWO LAST RE INVESTIGATION INTO PERL-S ACTIVITIES AT PUPIN LABORATORY, COLUMBIA UNIV, NYC, SINCE NINETEEN FORTYSIX AND SPECIFICALLY, HIS ACCESS TO VON KARMAN-S OFFICE SPACE, FILES, AND RECORDS, INCLUDING CERTAIN MACA REPORTS DURING PERIOD NINETEEN FORTYSIX DASH FORTYEIGHT. PROF. ISIDORE RABI, FORMER HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS, ADVISED YESTERDAY THAT DESIRED INFO UNKNOWN TO HIM, BUT THAT PROF. POLYKARP KUSCH, CURRENT HEAD OF DEPT OF PHYSICS, WELL ACQUAINTED WITH PERL AND DESIRED INFO WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO HIM. ALSO THAT MRS SCHNEIDER, DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARY, MRS BEMIS, ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK WHO HAD OFFICE SPACE ADJOINING VON KARMAN-S OFFICE IN PUPIN BLDG, PROF. MITCHELL, IN CHARGE OF BUILDING ADMINISTRATION, AND DR. VERNON HUGHES, PHYSICS INSTRUCTOR, ALL UNDER IMMEDIATE JURISDICTION OF PROFESSOR KUSCH, WOULD HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF PERL-S DAILY ACTIVITIES. RABI SUGGESTED CONTACT

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WITH PROF. KUSCH AS HEAD OF DEPT AS PRELIMINARY TO OTHER INTERVIEWS.
RENYLET AUG NINE, FIFTY, ENTITLED QUOTE PROF. POLYKARP KUSCH,
INFO CONCERNING UNQUOTE, RELATING TO INTERVIEW OF KUSCH BY THIS OF-
FICE ON AUG THREE, FIFTY, AND BULET, SAME CAPTION, DATED SEPT TWENTY,
FIFTY, INSTRUCTING KUSCH NOT BE FURTHER INTERVIEWED WITHOUT PRIOR
BUREAU AUTHORITY. NOTED KUSCH SUBJ PENDING AEA INVESTIGATION
/BUFILE 1 1 6 - 2 7 3 8 2 9 ONE ONE SIX DASH TWO SEVEN THREE EIGHT TWO NINE/ CONCERNING
PROSPECTIVE CONSULTANT ACTIVITIES AT BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORY.
ALSO NOTED KUSCH ARRANGED FOR PERL-S EMPLOYMENT AS INSTRUCTOR AT COLUM-
BIA SUBSEQUENT TO SEPARATION FROM MACA, CLEVELAND. BUREAU AUTHORITY
REQUESTED TO REINTERVIEW KUSCH CONCERNING PERL CASE. ADDITIONAL
INTERVIEWS OF HIS SUBORDINATES IN PUPIN LABORATORY HELD IN ABEYANCE
PENDING BUREAU AUTHORITY TO CONTACT KUSCH. PLEASE EXPEDITE.

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SECURITY MATTER - C. INTERVIEWS WITH PROFESSOR POLYKARP KUSCH
AND PUPIN LABORATORY PERSONNEL SHOULD NOT BE CONDUCTED AT THIS TIME.
LEGAT, PARIS, BEING REQUESTED REINTERVIEW VON KARMAN IN DETAIL RE
MAINTENANCE NACA AND OTHER CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS HIS OFFICE AND
CONSIDERATION FOR ABOVE INTERVIEWS HELD ABSTAINANCE PENDING RESULTS THEREOF.

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Note: Polykarp Kusch presently head of Pupin Physics Laboratory,
Columbia University, was previously interviewed re Perl on
August 3, 1950, at which time he was reported as being unreasonable,
irrational and unreliable in his remarks. He further indicated
he did not desire to answer any further questions from Agents of
the FBI. In view of his attitude it is considered that an interview
with him or members of his staff at this time would be inadvisable.
Kusch presently being investigated under Security Matter - C and ARAA.
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TITLE WILLIAM PERL, aka.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R PERJURY	

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Dr. BROCKWAY stated that his office was then located in the Engineering Research Building with Section Chief ALFRED BOBROWSKY and that the copy was maintained in BOBROWSKY's safe when not in use. Other copies were subsequently kept in BOBROWSKY's safe and were available to those in the section who had AEC clearance. Dr. BROCKWAY said that there were strict security measures in effect and that he knows of no instance where a person without proper clearance had access to the Lexington Report.

Dr. BROCKWAY stated that he had occasional contact with WILLIAM PERL at NACA from 1944 on. He said that he had a high regard for PERL as an employee but did not know him personally to the extent of knowing his friends or associates. He said further that from his limited conversations with PERL he had no occasion to question PERL's loyalty or to consider him a security risk. He could recall no instance of PERL's having visited the Engineering Research Building.

Dr. BROCKWAY stated that he knows of no way in which a copy of the Lexington Report could have been accessible to PERL inasmuch as PERL to the best of his recollection did not have AEC clearance at the time the report came out. He said that to the best of his knowledge PERL did not attend any meetings at which the Lexington Report was mentioned.

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You will recall that, in connection with the above-entitled investigation, information was previously received from the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) as to the exact identity of the various classified and other research memoranda which were furnished by that organization to Dr. Theodore Von Karman. The information previously obtained, however, merely refers to such material as was furnished to Dr. Von Karman prior to September, 1948.

In view of the present investigation which is being conducted on the possibility that subject Perl may have removed a considerable volume of material from Dr. Von Karman's office for photographing purposes during the July 4 week end of 1949, the Bureau requested of NACA that a similar list of documents and material furnished to Dr. Von Karman between September, 1948, and the end of July, 1949, be made available for the assistance of the Bureau.

There are attached hereto for your information, as well as the information of the Washington Field Office, copies of a communication pertaining to this matter which was received from NACA on October 4, 1951. In addition, your office are being furnished with photostatic copies of the various lists of documents and receipts referred to therein which were executed by Perl, or some other employee in Dr. Von Karman's office, for various documents furnished to his office by NACA during the afore-mentioned period.

It is believed that this data will be of assistance to your office in connection with the present efforts which are being made to secure all of the various NACA documents

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which were made available to Dr. Von Korman for laboratory examination. These lists will enable a determination as to whether all of such documents are presently available and are turned over to the Bureau for this examination. As was previously indicated, SACI has advised that Dr. Von Korman has at no time informed them that any of the documents furnished to him had been destroyed nor have any such documents been returned to them by Dr. Von Korman.

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: 10/6/51

FROM : SAC, Norfolk

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This is to advise that information has been received from officials of the Merchants National Bank to the effect that prior to January, 1941, the bank did not use any photographic records in connection with their depositors. It is further being pointed out that the checks photographed by the bank from January 1941 to the present had only the faces of the checks photographed. It is being pointed out that examination of all checks photographed in connection with this case at the Merchants National Bank failed to reflect any reverse side photographs.

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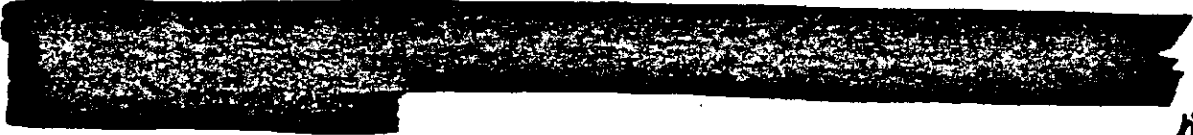
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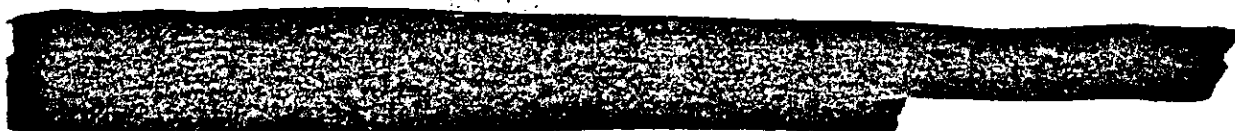
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FORTY-FOUR, FURLOUGH BUT ASSUMED WAS IN NYC. FURTHER HE COULD
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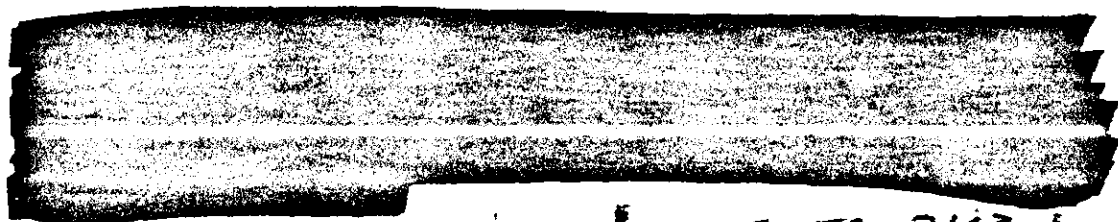
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WILLIAM PERL, WAS, ESPIONAGE DASH R, PERJURY. REMPLT SEPTEMBER TWENTY TWO LAST. VON KARMAN LEFT COUNTRY SEPTEMBER TWENTY ONE FOR PARIS, FRANCE, WHERE EXPECTED REMAIN UNTIL LAST OF JANUARY, NINETEEN FIFTY TWO. CAN BE REACHED CARE AIR ATTACHE, AMERICAN EMBASSY IN EVENT INTERVIEW BY BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE DESIRED.

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For your information, Perl is known to have been closely associated with Theodore Von Karman, a former professor in physics at the Pupin Physics Laboratory, Columbia University. Von Karman, who is considered as one of this country's leading aerodynamicists, has for a number of years served in the capacity of Special Adviser and Consultant to the Air Force and has spent considerable time in Europe. During the period from 1946 to 1948 Perl served as an assistant to Von Karman in the latter's office at the Pupin Physics Laboratory, and in that capacity had access to confidential aeronautical information which was made available to Von Karman.

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In view thereof the New York Office has requested that an immediate effort be made to secure the original copies of all NACA reports and research memoranda, particularly those which were of a classified nature at the time of receipt by Von Karman, which were furnished to his office prior to July 4, 1949. This request has been made in order that these reports may be appropriately examined by the FBI Laboratory to determine whether there is any evidence that these printed pamphlets were taken apart for photographing, and also to make a latent fingerprint examination thereof. It has been learned through NACA that all of such reports are considered as NACA property and that according to their records none of the copies thereof furnished to VON KARMAN have ever been returned nor have they been advised as to the destruction thereof in accordance with the usual custom. (u)

It has been determined that VON KARMAN returned to Paris, France, on September 21, 1951, and can be contacted in care of the Air Attache, American Embassy, in that city. It is therefore desired that you make immediate arrangements to interview Von Karman with the view of securing his permission to have the Bureau take possession of any of these NACA reports which he presently has in his custody. Inasmuch as recent information indicates he has removed all of his files and records from his former office

in the Pupin Physics Laboratory, Columbia University, as of June, 1951, you should determine what disposition he has made of the NACA reports. If he is agreeable to having the Bureau take possession thereof for a laboratory examination an appropriate letter of authorization directed to the person having custody thereof in his behalf should be obtained and he should be requested to communicate with that person, advising of his consent and authorization for the delivery of this material to the FBI. He may be assured that NACA has agreed to replace any of such NACA reports which the Bureau may thereafter desire to retain or which may be destroyed during the course of the laboratory examination. (u)

During your interview with Von Karman you should determine whether his office customarily maintains any record as to the various NACA reports received and any charge out system in the event any of such classified reports were loaned or turned over to any particular person. You should further ascertain if these NACA reports, whether of classified nature or otherwise, were kept by Von Karman in his regular filing cabinets or in his Air Force safe. It should also be ascertained whether he maintained any record in the event any of these reports were destroyed or otherwise disposed of by his office. (u)

Von Karman should be questioned further as to what information, if any, was ever made available to him or to his office with reference to the NEPA Project. It should be particularly determined whether he was ever furnished with a copy of the "Lexington Report" on the NEPA Project, the Appendix to Chapter III of that report, or the NEPA No. 4 Experimental Report, and if so whether such reports were available at his office in the Pupin Physics Laboratory. In the event he admits having had such reports in his office the manner in which same were kept, as well as the ultimate disposition thereof should be ascertained. (u)

For your further information, Perl is known to have left the employment of Von Karman at Columbia University in May, 1948, although Perl has advised that he was at the University attending lectures during the period from June 26 to July 9, 1948. At the time of a previous interview of Von Karman by Agents of this Bureau he claimed the only contact he had with Perl in 1948 was in either October or November, 1948. You should therefore question Von Karman concerning his possible contact with Perl at the Pupin Physics Laboratory during the latter part of June or the first part of July,

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1948. In the event he claims to have been in Europe during that period it should be ascertained whether Perl would still have had access to his office, his safe, or his filing cabinets at that time as well as during the same period in 1949. In this respect you should specifically inquire of him the purpose of Perl communicating with him on November 4, 1949, advising Von Karman as to the location of the combination of Von Karman's safe and keys for his filing cabinets. (u)

You are advised that Von Karman at the time of his previous interviews appeared cooperative but denied any knowledge or suspicion that Perl may have been engaged in espionage activities. He further indicated he did not believe Perl was engaged in such activities and expressed his opinion that Perl was loyal, and that if he were guilty of perjury it was due to the fact that he was acting upon false loyalty to friends. He further claimed Perl did not have access to any classified material which he (Von Karman) received by reason of his connection with the Air Force as such data was kept in a safe located in a separate office not available to Perl. He admitted, however, that Perl had access to all of the NACA reports received by his office. (u)

This matter should be given your immediate attention and you should furnish the Bureau a cable summary of the results prior to the submission of your report setting forth the complete results of this interview. (u)

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Title WILLIAM PERL, was.			Character of Case ESPIONAGE - R; PERJURY

Synopsis of Facts :

Upon personal interview in Paris, SAMUEL PERL claims he can not remember dinner with brother WILLIAM PERL in July, 1944. His diary contains no pertinent data. He plans to remain in Paris during academic year 1951-52 to study music. Denies knowledge of whereabouts of JOEL BARR.

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Re: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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SAMUEL ~~PERL~~ was interviewed in Paris, France on October 1 and 2, 1951.

PERL reiterated his previous contention that he does not remember having attended a dinner party at the Bird-In-Hand Restaurant in New York City. He firmly denied knowledge of the existence of such a restaurant in New York City, and reiterated his previous denials of acquaintance with the other individuals figuring in this case, except JOEL BARR. PERL insisted he has had no contact with JOEL BARR since the Spring of 1950 in Paris, and he denied he has any knowledge of BARR's present whereabouts.

PERL refused to allow his personal diary out of his possession, but briefly made it available at his present place of residence, 23 rue Chaudron, Paris, for perusal. It was thus determined that PERL's diary is not a diary in the usual sense of the word, but is a small leather bound notebook which contains periodic entries during the time of his service with the U. S. Armed Forces. It is not a day by day account of his activities, but rather consists of dated memoranda to himself containing his observations about the progress of the war.

It was noted that an entry dated August 8, 1944, at Camp Breckenridge, states that the writer has just returned from a two weeks furlough. No mention is made of where the furlough was spent or what was done or who was seen. Upon questioning, PERL said he assumed he had spent the furlough in New York City with his parents, but denied specific recollection of this. The entry is thereafter concerned only with the writer's personal observations as to the progress of World War II.

It was noted that the entry immediately preceding the August 8, 1944, entry was dated June 15, 1944, and the entry immediately following the entry dated August 8, 1944, was dated September 14, 1944.

PERL admitted the possibility that he might have seen his brother WILLIAM PERL in New York City during his furlough from July 22, 1944 to August 4, 1944. In this connection he stated that he specifically remembers having visited his brother WILLIAM PERL and the latter's wife in Cleveland, Ohio some time during the period September 15, 1944 to November 30, 1944.

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He explained that during this period he was stationed at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri. He advised that he recalled the instance well because during a weekend stay in Cleveland he attempted to drive his brother's new car and had considerable difficulty getting the car started.

SAMUEL PERL indicated that he plans to remain in Paris, France during the academic year 1951-52 in order to continue his musical studies at the Ecole Normale de Music under the GI Bill of Rights.

During the interview SAMUEL PERL remarked that he holds his older brother WILLIAM in special esteem as compared with other members of his immediate family and he indicated that he would be extremely reluctant to furnish any data which might be harmful to his brother.

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No distribution of this report is being made in Paris inasmuch as the information in it does not appear to be of any interest to the other U. S. Agencies here.

SAMUEL PERL was located in Paris only after a stop had been placed by this office against his file with the Veterans Administration Office in Paris.

The Bureau should be advised that SAMUEL PERL exhibits a definite reluctance to furnish any information in this case and has made it clear to this office that contacts with him are not welcomed by him. He is presently residing temporarily at 23 rue Chaudron in Paris, where he can be reached at Telephone NOR 99-74. He has stated, however, that this place of residence is strictly temporary and that he plans to move out in the near future because his present quarters do not have heating facilities.

REFERENCE: Bucable September 29, 1951,
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Report Made at Paris, France	Date when Made 10-3-51	Period for which Made 9-29, 30, 10-1	Report Made by RONALD P. WINTER
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Synopsis of Facts :

Upon personal interview in Paris, SAMUEL PERL claims he can not remember dinner with brother WILLIAM PERL in July, 1944. His diary contains no pertinent data. He plans to remain in Paris during academic year 1951-52 to study music. Denies knowledge of whereabouts of JOEL BARR.

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There are being transmitted herewith two copies of the report of SA Howard P. Winter dated October 3, 1951, at Paris, France. You will note that this report sets forth the results of an additional interview had with Samuel Perl, brother of subject Perl.

It is desired that the substance of the information appearing in this report be set forth in your next report in instant case in a manner suitable for dissemination.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: October 6, 1951

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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Rerep SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE 10-6-51, Cleveland.

It will be noted from the photostats of the leave cards which are part of referenced report that considerable erasing has been done on these cards. Prior to conducting any interviews of the persons responsible for the maintenance of these cards and/or the approving officials, it is believed advisable to have the Laboratory examine the cards in an effort to identify the writing which may appear under the erasures. The original will be secured and furnished to the Laboratory in the immediate future.

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated August 21, 1951, concerning the NEPA project and copies of the NEPA Number 4 Technical Report.

It was ascertained through Mr. H. BURTON BRACEY, Security Officer, NACA, Cleveland, that one copy of the NEPA Number 4 report is now in possession of the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory and that the records of the office of the Chief of Research indicate receipt of the report without a date.

There is one record of transfer of this report from Miss IRENE KIVES, Secretary to the Director, to the Laboratory Library on November 18, 1949. The report is again checked out to BEN PINKEL on July 16, 1951, and, according to Mr. BRACEY, the report is still in PINKEL's office as of September 22, 1951.

Since PINKEL has previously been interviewed concerning the Lexington Report in particular and all restricted data in general and since he appeared quite co-operative during this interview, it is not felt that an interview on this matter would serve any useful purpose at this time.

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: October 8, 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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Re report of SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE, 3/27/51, Cleveland.

On 10/3/51, Mrs. BENJAMIN SENITZKY (nee WILMA JEANNE SMITH), Library Assistant, Vitro Corporation of America (formerly Rellex Corporation), 120 Wall Street, New York City was interviewed by SAS ROBERT F. ROYAL and EDWARD J. CAHILL. Mrs. SENITZKY was employed as a Librarian by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), Cleveland, Ohio from August, 1948 to September, 1950.

Mrs. SENITZKY shared an apartment in a duplex house at 1615-17 Mars Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio with ELEANORE E. WILKINS from October, 1948 to September, 1950. Miss WILKINS was also employed at NACA as a Librarian. Mrs. SENITZKY recalled that WILLIAM PERL in September, 1948 had moved furniture for WILKINS in his car from the Evangline House, Cleveland to the Mars Avenue address. She believed this moving was accomplished in PERL'S Studebaker. She also recalled that PERL later owned a Dodge car.

Referenced Cleveland report reflects that when ELEANORE WILKINS was interviewed concerning PERL she had advised that her contacts with him were irregular and limited.

Additional investigation also revealed that WILKINS frequently assisted the subject in the NACA library.

Mrs. SENITZKY stated that for a brief period in 1948 ELEANORE WILKINS' mother had also resided at the Mars Avenue apartment. Shortly after Mrs. SENITZKY began sharing the apartment in October, 1948 PERL would occasionally visit the apartment to see ELEANORE WILKINS. SENITZKY had previously met PERL at the NACA library during the course of her duties there.

She was unable to set a definite figure as to the number of visits PERL made to the apartment during this period but she estimated that it was rather infrequent.

Concerning the relationship of WILLIAM PERL and ELEANORE WILKINS, Mrs. SENITZKY advised that WILKINS was completely infatuated

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with PERL; however, it was her opinion that PERL did not share this same feeling of infatuation. Further, during the entire period of acquaintance, PERL appeared "to be dangling WILKINS on a string". Mrs. SENITZKY recalls that PERL at first would visit the apartment frequently and later the visits appeared to be spaced at three to four week intervals. It appeared to Mrs. SENITZKY that PERL did not want to break the relationship completely and by his visits was attempting to keep the relationship alive. SENITZKY said she generally left the apartment during these visits by PERL. She said her leaving was not by any pre-arrangement, but merely because she was going out on a date. On several occasions she remained at the apartment and from her recollection of the conversations she overheard, SENITZKY said that PERL and WILKINS would generally discuss music, physics and various scientific subjects. During these visits PERL would often play the piano.

The only gifts PERL ever brought WILKINS was an occasional bottle of wine. As time went on it became apparent to WILKINS that the only way she could appeal to PERL was on an intellectual basis. In furtherance of this, WILKINS would read various scientific magazines and journals, such as "Scientific American", in an attempt to keep abreast of these matters and in order to be on a conversational level with PERL. WILKINS sole purpose was the furtherance of her intellectual appeal to PERL.

Mrs. SENITZKY believed that this relationship tended to border on the abnormal where it pertained to Miss WILKINS interest in PERL. She pointed out that Miss WILKINS had advised her that this was the second man she had ever had any relationship with and when PERL was in her presence WILKINS became very possessive and attentive to him. When PERL came to the apartment WILKINS would sometimes prepare dinner, very infrequently would they leave the apartment to go to the theatre or to dinner. Mrs. SENITZKY said that WILKINS had advised her that PERL did not want anyone to know that they were going together but that she never explained the reason for this secrecy. Mrs. SENITZKY thought this was strange since it was common knowledge at NACA that PERL dated other girls during this same period.

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SENITZKY was questioned regarding any documents or materials WILKINS may have brought to the apartment from the NACA library. She believes that it was in early 1950 that she returned to the apartment from a date and found PERL and WILKINS sitting around the dining room table. They had spread before them a number of catalogue cards from the NACA library. SENITZKY recalled that she went over to the dining room table and said "Oh, cards from the library" and she picked one up whereupon WILKINS snatched the card from her hand and said "you shouldn't see them" or words to this effect. Mrs. SENITZKY said she did not know what to think of this incident and recalled that at the time that it occurred she felt rebuffed especially since she had access at NACA to the same type of documents as had WILKINS. She did not press the issue and left the room. Shortly thereafter, WILKINS gathered the cards together and PERL left the apartment.

Mrs. SENITZKY was unable to identify the particular cards in question but she estimated that there were enough cards spread on the table to make a pile two inches high. In describing the cards Mrs. SENITZKY said that they were small index cards, on which was listed the title, author, document number and originator (Bureau of Standards, NACA, and so forth) and were used for the indexing of each document on file in the NACA library. Included on these cards was an abstract describing the material to be found in each particular document.

SENITZKY was questioned concerning the security of NACA documents in the library and their accessibility to WILKINS. She recalled there were approximately three files of secret documents and these files were kept in the library safe and the combination of this safe was known only to a few individuals. The catalogue on index cards for this material was also kept in the same safe. If any of these secret documents were removed it was necessary to charge out the particular document. These secret documents were only available to the persons who had received clearance to handle secret material. According to SENITZKY'S recollection neither PERL nor WILKINS had been cleared to receive secret documents. The only librarians who had access to secret material

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were Miss ETHEL LYONS, Head Librarian, Mrs. EVELYN DALZELL, Assistant Librarian and Mrs. KLEANOR SCADDING.

The other material in the NACA library was classified as confidential or restricted material and to SENITZKY'S recollection consisted of approximately 60 files. This material was the type WILKINS, SENITZKY and the other librarians had been cleared to handle. When this material was removed it was necessary to place a charge out in the file.

Every three months a confidential inventory is taken of all secret documents in the library and on a yearly basis a general inventory is taken of all documents both security and classified. During this yearly inventory the librarians would draw lots to determine the particular division of the alphabet they would handle during the inventory. For example Mrs. SENITZKY might draw the names of all workers whose name began with the letter a, b or c, while WILKINS might handle those workers whose name began with d or e.

Mrs. SENITZKY believed that it was during the 1950 inventory that WILKINS drew for inventory purposes that part of the alphabet which did not cover the letter p. However, WILKINS traded with another librarian who had drawn the letter p so that she might inventory documents charged to PERL. Mrs. SENITZKY believes this also occurred in 1949; however, she could not recall the names of the other librarians with whom WILKINS traded.

During the inventory the librarians were supposed to contact the worker who had the document charged to him in order to examine the document and so as to properly account for the item. SENITZKY recalled that PERL was reluctant to return the material and it was necessary for WILKINS to go to his office to conduct the inventory. She recalled that PERL always had a considerable number of documents in his office which he kept locked.

Mrs. SENITZKY advised that she was unable to recall any further details regarding the above matter. However, she recalled that sometime in early 1950 WILKINS, at the request of PERL,

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ordered some scientific text books from England. These books were delivered to WILKINS at the Mars Avenue apartment in her name and she turned these books over to PERL. SENITZKY believed this was a little unusual; however, her roommate never offered an explanation concerning this matter as to why PERL did not order the books himself and have them delivered to his own address. Mrs. SENITZKY said PERL never brought any friends to the Mars Avenue apartment when he visited WILKINS and was unable to furnish any information regarding his friends or other activities.

The pictures of the various members of the Rosenberg ring were exhibited to her with negative results.

Mrs. SENITZKY recalled that WILKINS during the summer of 1950 had mentioned that PERL had found it necessary to make a three week visit to New York City. WILKINS was extremely secretive about this trip.

It was SENITZKY'S opinion that WILKINS saw PERL more often in 1950 than she had in previous years.

It should be noted that ELEANORE ELIZABETH WILKINS was the subject of a loyalty investigation, Bureau File 121-29792. Mrs. SENITZKY advised the interviewing agents that when she was interviewed concerning the above investigation she had forgotten completely concerning the catalogue cards mentioned above.

ELEANORE WILKINS has never been in contact with SENITZKY concerning PERL; however, SENITZKY did recall that sometime last summer ETHEL LYONS, mentioned above, was passing through New York City on her way to Europe and mentioned that the FBI might be in touch with her concerning PERL.

In view of the above information the Cleveland Office is requested to reinterview ELEANORE WILKINS and secure complete details concerning her entire relationship with PERL.

It is requested that during this interview that WILKINS be questioned regarding the following items:

1. Concerning any trips made to New York or any other city by PERL. She should be questioned whether she recalls PERL having made two trips to New York City during

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the weekend of January 28 and 29, 1950 and again on February 1, 1950.

2. Determine if PERL or WILKINS had any photographic ability.
3. For any pictures or diaries she may have in her possession concerning PERL.
4. PERL had ever discussed nuclear energy or during the conversations had mentioned the Lexington report.
5. Information concerning other friends of PERL.
6. For any information she might have concerning documents or other NACA material which she may have furnished PERL. In this connection, PERL may have obtained through WILKINS, material which he may have advised her was to be used by him in preparing his dissertation. In the event PERL had used this pretext, complete details should be obtained concerning this dissertation.

Cleveland also is requested to contact ETHEL B. LYONS, Chief Librarian, NACA, in an attempt to ascertain the NACA policy concerning the various types of inventories and determine the person who would have made inventories of documents charged to WILLIAM PERL. Thereafter interview the librarian handling this inventory in an attempt to ascertain if PERL had the proper clearance to handle all the documents charged to him. It should also be determined whether there were any instances where ELEANORE WILKINS had material for which she did not have proper clearance.

Also obtain from LYONS information concerning the safeguarding of the secret documents and determine if through possible laxity WILKINS may have obtained secret documents.

Also determine NACA'S policy regarding the return of the security documents by the employees who had charged them out.

It is noted that on page 19 of referenced report Miss LYONS had commented that WILLIAM PERL is like a "pack rat".

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in accumulating documents from the NACA library and that some of the material apparently had not been charged out and that they had some difficulty in having it returned.

Miss LYONS should be questioned to determine if she can furnish any additional information regarding the above statement.

During the above interviews Cleveland is requested to conceal New York's source of information mentioned above. Cleveland might wish to consider conveying to WILKINS the impression that the information set forth above has been obtained from WILLIAM PERL.

For the information of the Cleveland Office the United States Attorney has indicated to call before a Grand Jury any person who might be withholding information concerning this investigation. Therefore if Cleveland feels that WILKINS is not cooperating fully, it is requested to so advise this office.

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SAC, Cleveland

Director, FBI

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ReNYlet October 8, 1951, setting forth the results of an interview with Mrs. Benjamin Sautsky, who was formerly employed as a librarian at the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory Library of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) from August, 1948, to September, 1950.

In reviewing the information made available by Mrs. Sautsky, it was noted with interest that she made mention of three incidents which are considered of possible significance to this investigation. These incidents are enumerated hereinafter as follows:

1. That during the early part of 1950, she observed her roommate, Eleanor Wilkins, and subject William Perl in the apartment she was sharing with Wilkins examining a number of catalogue cards which she recognized as having come from the NACA Laboratory.

2. That during the year 1950 and also possibly the year 1949 Wilkins was known to have traded with another librarian so that she might be able to make an inventory of the various documents, classified or otherwise, which were then charged out to Perl.

3. That sometime early in 1950 Wilkins, at the request of subject Perl, ordered some scientific textbooks from England, had them delivered to her apartment and later turned them over to Perl.

It appears from Mrs. Sautsky's account of the relationship between Wilkins and Perl that Wilkins was greatly enamored with Perl and would thus have done anything for him, whereas Perl was merely exploiting Wilkins and using her for his own advantage. Along the lines of this theory, the above incidents indicate that Perl may have been using Wilkins in order to obtain information and documents from the NACA Library through her and thus avoid

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possible suspicion on the part of any of the officials or fellow employees at NACA by his openly exhibiting an interest in research matters foreign to his own assigned experimental work at the laboratory. An arrangement such as this would obviously have been advantageous to him in the furtherance of his espionage activities on behalf of the Rosenberg network. (u)

It is noted that your office has been requested to reinterview Wilkins in an effort to develop further information with respect to her relationship with Perl. Your office was cautioned against a disclosure of the identity of Mrs. Scitsky as a source of this information. (u)

You are of course cognizant of the extensive investigation which has been conducted with view of establishing the necessary proof as to Perl's espionage activity. You are also aware that the prosecution of Perl on the charge of perjury has been recently continued primarily for the purpose of giving the Bureau additional opportunity to develop the espionage charge. (u)

[REDACTED] (S)

Further, while it is conceded that, under certain circumstances, the testimony of [REDACTED] may be of some value with respect to this line of proof, no determination has been made as to the advisability or availability of this informant as a witness in the case. However, you can readily appreciate that testimony on the part of Wilkins identifying certain classified material which she may have made available to Perl in a manner other than the usual channels at the NACA Laboratory would serve to greatly strengthen the present circumstantial case against him. (u)

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The Bureau therefore desires that you give the matter of your interview with Kleopatra Wilkins most serious consideration with the view of handling same in such a manner as to secure her full cooperation in this matter. Your every effort should be directed toward securing a full disclosure of her relationship with Per1. It is suggested that even at the expense of Wilkins' possibly suspecting the source of the Bureau's information you should directly interrogate her with respect to the afore-mentioned incident. It is considered, however, that a proper use of this information might serve as a wedge which will cause her to furnish full cooperation to the Bureau in this matter. (U)

Your office has previously been advised as to the necessity of obtaining some corroborating information to indicate Per1's presence in New York City over the July 4, 1948 or 1949 week end where, as indicated by Security Informant 645, Per1 together with several other members of the Rosenberg network, photographed a large volume of material. It is suggested for your consideration that Per1 may well have made some remark to Wilkins with regard to this photographing endeavor on his part or may even have obtained from her a number of the classified documents which constituted a portion of the material which was photographed at that time. Appropriate interrogation of Wilkins along that line should also be conducted. (U)

This interview should be handled by experienced agents of your office who are familiar with the many ramifications in the Per1 and Rosenberg related cases. It is desired that this matter be given immediate attention and that the Bureau be furnished with a detailed summary of the results of this interview. (U)

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NOTE: Eleanor Wilkins was previously interviewed earlier in 1951, at which time she merely claimed that her contacts with Perl were of a social nature and only limited and occasional. (65-59312-453) (u)

Full field Loyalty inv. conducted and presently in closed status. Loyalty Section to be advised as to any developments. Above interview OK'd by Mr. Stanley. (u)

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Assistant Attorney General
James M. McInerney
Director, FBI

October 23, 1951

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There is being transmitted herewith for your information
a copy of the report of Special Agent John E. O'Donoghue, dated
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Date: October 8, 1943
To: Legal Attache
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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
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Reference is made to my letter of October 2, 1943, requesting that you immediately interview Theodor Von Karman regarding the possible accessibility of classified aeronautical data to subject Perl during the period of the latter's employment as Von Karman's assistant at the Fuoss Physics Laboratory, Cornell University, New York City.

For your information, the Bureau is presently making a check regarding the income of Perl during the period from 1941 to date. In this connection the New York Office has requested that Von Karman be interviewed to determine the amount of money paid by him to Perl for the latter's service in connection with the Sperry and General consultation work or any other services rendered to him by Perl. It is noted that the Sperry and General Company of St. Louis hired Von Karman and in turn Von Karman hired a group which included Perl and paid them with funds furnished by him to that company. It is known, however, that Sperry and General made direct payments to Perl of \$400.00 and \$1,050.00 on September 1, 1942 and September 1, 1947, respectively.

It was also requested by the New York Office that appropriate inquiry be made by Von Karman as to the whereabouts of his books, records and amended checks reflecting his employment so that these can be reviewed and detailed information obtained as to his payments to Perl. It was indicated that these records may be located in Von Karman's Pasadena, California, office and that his permission should be obtained to make an examination of same.

Inasmuch as Von Karman is primarily located in Pasadena, California, that you conduct the desired interview at that place and promptly furnish the results thereof to the Bureau.

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD
FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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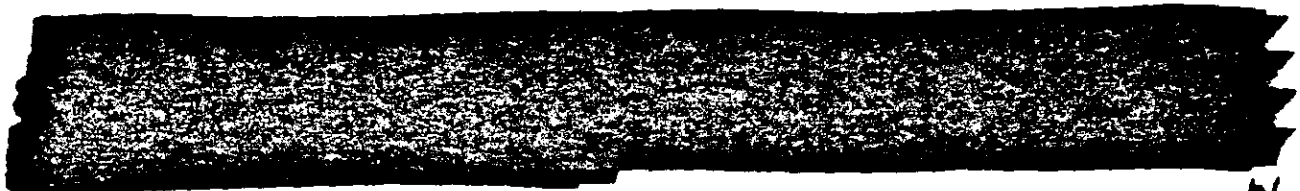
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WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESPIONAGE - R., PERJURY. RE CHICAGO TEL SEPT TWENTYNINE, NINETEEN FIFTYONE. MR. JAMES MILES, SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED AIRLINES, NYC, AND AGENTS NYO REVIEWED RECORDS AT UAL REFLECTING PASSENGER LOADING PLANS AND GATEPASSES FOR FLIGHTS FROM NY TO CLEVELAND COVERING JAN TWENTYNINE, THIRTY AND THIRTYONE, NINETEEN FIFTY, ON OCT ONE, LAST. NAME OF M. PERLE APPEARS ON LOADING PLAN FOR FLIGHT SIX ONE SEVEN, NY TO CLEVELAND, JAN THIRTY, NINETEEN FIFTY. FLIGHT LEFT LA GUARDIA AIRPORT, NY, AT EIGHT FIFTEEN A. M. AND WAS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE CLEVELAND TEN TWENTYFIVE A.M. AT THAT DATE. UAL WAS HOLDING SPACE ON FLIGHT ONE ONE NINE DASH THREE NAUGHT FOR THIS PASSENGER FOR TRAVEL CLEVELAND TO TOLEDO, OHIO, THAT DATE. THIS FLIGHT WOULD HAVE LEFT CLEVELAND AT TWELVE FIFTEEN AND WAS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE TOLEDO AT ONE FIVE P.M. THAT DATE. INFO NOT AVAILABLE NY

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WHICH WOULD INDICATE WHETHER SPACE FOR TOLEDO WAS USED. NAME OF MR. PERLE APPEARS ON A GATE PASS WHICH THIS PASSENGER SURRENDERED UPON BOARDING PLANE AT NY. MR. MILES ADVISED THAT THE SPELLING OF PERLE IS IN ALL PROBABILITY PHONETIC AND THAT THE INITIAL "M" COULD BE A TRANSPOSITION OF THE INITIAL "W". MR. MILES ALSO LOCATED A LOADING PLAN FOR FEB SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY, WHICH REFLECTED PERL-S DEPARTURE NY FOR CLEVELAND ON FLIGHT SIX ONE SEVEN. THIS FLIGHT DEPARTED NY AT EIGHT FIFTEEN A.M. AND WAS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT CLEVELAND AT TEN TWENTYFIVE A.M. NO RECORD LOCATED FOR DEPARTURE OF PERL ON FEB SIX, NINETEEN FIFTY. IT IS NOTED THAT PERL-S EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR FEBRUARY NINETEEN FIFTY HAS REFLECTED HIS RETURN TO CLEVELAND FROM NY ON FEB SIX, NINETEEN FIFTY, ON A FLIGHT DEPARTING NY EIGHT FIFTEEN A.M.

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AND ARRIVING CLEVELAND TEN TWENTYFIVE A.M. PERL-S LEAVE RECORD AT NACA HAS REFLECTED ANNUAL LEAVE FOR FEB SIX, NINETEEN FIFTY, AND THREE HOURS ON FEB SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY. IT IS APPARENT FROM THIS INVESTIGATION THAT PERL REFLECTED THE INCORRECT DATE OF FEB SIX, NINETEEN FIFTY, INSTEAD OF USING FEB SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY, WHICH APPEARS TO BE THE CORRECT DATE OF HIS RETURN TO CLEVELAND FROM NY. PERL ALSO REFLECTED IN HIS FEB NINETEEN FIFTY EXPENSE ACCOUNT THAT HE DEPARTED CLEVELAND EN ROUTE TO NY AT TWO FIFTY P.M. ON FEB ONE, NINETEEN FIFTY, AND ARRIVED NY AT FOUR THIRTY P.M., UTILIZING UAL FLIGHT FIVE NAUGHT TWO. UAL FLIGHT SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE JAN FIFTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTY, INDICATES THAT FLIGHT FIVE NAUGHT TWO WAS SCHEDULED TO DEPART FROM CLEVELAND AT TWO FIFTEEN P.M. AND NOT TWO FIFTY P.M., AS INDICATED ABOVE. NACA LEAVE RECORDS FAILED TO REFLECT ANY OFFICIAL LEAVE FOR THE AFTERNOON OF FEB ONE, NINETEEN FIFTY, DURING WHICH TIME PERL WAS ENROUTE TO NYC. NACA RECORDS HAVE REFLECTED OFFICIAL LEAVE FOR PERL ON FEB TWO AND THREE, NINETEEN FIFTY, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS ALLEGED TO BE AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, RECRUITING PERSONNEL. CHICAGO

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IS REQUESTED TO RECONTACT MR. CARL J. QUERTERMUS, MANAGER OF REVENUE ACCOUNTING, UAL, CHICAGO, IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE PASSENGER TICKET FOR THE MR. PERLE MENTIONED ABOVE. PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF HIS TICKET SHOULD BE OBTAINED AND FURNISHED NYO. CHICAGO REQUESTED TO SEND THE ORIGINAL TICKET TO THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FOR FINGERPRINT EXAMINATION. IT SHOULD BE ASCERTAINED WHETHER ANY LATENT FINGERPRINTS ARE IDENTICAL WITH THOSE OF WILLIAM PERL. CHICAGO ALSO REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN CITY WHERE THIS TICKET WAS PURCHASED AND TO SET OUT A LEAD FOR TRIP POINT OF ORIGIN SO THAT THE RESERVATION CARD, GATE PASS, AND LOADING PLAN CAN BE LOCATED FOR THIS INDIVIDUAL. CLEVELAND REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN THE TIME PERL REPORTED FOR WORK ON JAN THIRTY, NINETEEN FIFTY, /MONDAY/ AND ADVISE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS SIGNING IN LATE, TAKING SICK OR COMPENSATORY LEAVE FOR SEVERAL HOURS, ETC. IT IS NOTED THAT IN A CHECK OF PERL-S LEAVE AT NACA, NO RECORD WAS LOCATED FOR JAN NINETEEN FIFTY. CLEVELAND IS ALSO REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THE MR. PERLE CONTINUED HIS FLIGHT TO TOLEDO, OHIO, AFTER ARRIVAL AT CLEVELAND ON JAN THIRTY, NINETEEN FIFTY. SUTEL.

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TO : MR. LADD

DATE: October 8, 1951

FROM : MR. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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To recommend that a copy of the afore-mentioned memorandum on aeronautical and NACA data be disseminated to OSI, ONI and G-2 by the attached letter which is being submitted for your approval. (u)

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INCIDENTAL THERE TO BEING FORWARDED NY OFFICE. NO RECORD NACA OF ANY TRAVEL BY PERL OR VOUCHERS SUBMITTED WHILE AT LANGLEY

FIELD. NY REQUESTED ASCERTAIN FROM USA HANDLING DAYTON CASE IF ORIGINALS OR CERTIFIED COPIES OF ABOVE VOUCHERS DESIRED FOR

INTRODUCTION AT TRIAL AND SUTEL SO GAO CAN BE ADVISED BY WFO TO PROCURE SAME. RE NYTEL SEPTEMBER THIRTY LAST WFO TEL

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WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESP. R., PERJURY. RE NY TEL OCT TWO, LAST. RECORDS UNITED AIRLINES, CG., REFLECT TICKET NO. ONE SIX FOUR DASH FOUR THREE THREE ONE SIX SEVEN ISSUED ON JAN TWENTY SEVEN, FIFTY AT TOLEDO, OHIO TO MR. MAX PERLE FOR ROUND TRIP TRAVEL. NY DASH CLEVELAND.. UAL FLIGHT NO. SIX ONE SEVEN, JAN THIRTY, FIFTY., CLEVELAND DASH TOLEDO FLIGHT ONE ONE NINE, JAN THIRTY, FIFTY., TOLEDO DASH CLEVELAND, FLIGHT ONE THREE TWO, APR SIX, FIFTY AND CLEVELAND DASH NY, FLIGHT FIVE NAUGHT TWO, APR SIX, FIFTY. MAX PERLE IS AIR TRAVEL CARD HOLDER NO. N DASH SIX SEVEN EIGHT THREE EIGHT EIGHT ISSUED TO INDUSTRIAL PLANTS CORP., AMERICAN AIRLINES ACCOUNT NO. A DASH THREE EIGHT EIGHT NAUGHT, WHICH CARD WAS ISSUED IN PAYMENT OF FARE, NY DASH TOLEDO VIA CLEVELAND AND RETURN REFERRED TO ABOVE IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTYSEVEN DOLLARS AND THIRTYNINE CENTS. NAME MR. M. PERLE WHICH APPEARS ON AUDITORS COUPON PLUS FLIGHT COUPONS ONE, TWO THREE AND FOUR FOR INSTANT TRAVEL IDENTICAL WITH MAX PERLE REFERRED TO ABOVE. AMERICAN AIRLINES, CG TELPHONICALLY ADVISED BY AMERICAN AIRLINES, TULSA, OCT FIVE, INSTANT THAT AIR TRAVEL CARD NO.

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N DASH SIX SEVEN EIGHT THREE EIGHT PAREN AA ACCOUNT NO. A DASH THREE EIGHT EIGHT NAUGHT CLOSE PAREN ISSUED TO INDUSTRIAL PLANTS CORP., NINETY WEST BROADWAY, NYC. LIST OF EMPLOYEES OF INDUSTRIAL PLANTS CORP., FURNISHED BY AA TULSA, WHO ARE ENTITLED TO USE PRIVILEGES OF AIR TRAVEL CARD NO. N DASH SIX SEVEN EIGHT THREE EIGHT EIGHT INCLUDES NAME MAX PERLE, NINETY WEST BROADWAY, NYC, PAREN NO HOME ADDRESS LISTED CLOSE PAREN. IT IS APPARENT FROM ABOVE INFO THAT MAX PERLE IS NOT IDENTICAL WITH SUBJ. HENCE NO FURTHER ACTION IS BEING TAKEN BY CG. REGARDING EITHER THE SUBMISSION OF PHOTASTATIC COPIES OF ORIGINAL TICKET NO. ONE SIX FOUR DASH FOUR THREE THREE ONE SIX SEVEN TO NY OR THE SUBMISSION OF ORIGINAL TICKET TO THE IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, AS REQUESTED RETEL. CARL J. QUERTERMUS, MGR OF REVENUE ACCOUNTING, UAL CG ADVISES RE REFERENCE TO TRAVEL BY SUBJ. NY DASH CLEVELAND, UAL FLIGHT SIX ONE SEVEN ON FEB FIVE, FIFTY PAREN LATER CHANGED TO FEB SIX, FIFTY CLOSE PAREN THAT IT IS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE SUBJ. TRAVELED ON QUOTE TWO DASH SEVEN UNQUOTE FIFTY INSTEAD OF ON QUOTE TWO DASH SIX UNQUOTE FIFTY WITHOUT ANY CHANGE BEING NOTED ON FLIGHT COUPON. ADDITIONAL RECORD CHECK UAL CG. FLIGHT SIX ONE SEVEN NY DASH CLEVELAND ON FEB SEVEN, FIFTY RE SUBJ. NEGATIVE. CLEVELAND REQUESTED TO DISCONTINUE RECORD CHECK UAL CLEVELAND RE OUT GOING FLIGHT CLEVELAND DASH TOLEDO IN VIEW OF ABOVE INFO RECEIVED CG.

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Date: October 8, 1951

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Attention: Captain John A. Waters, Jr.
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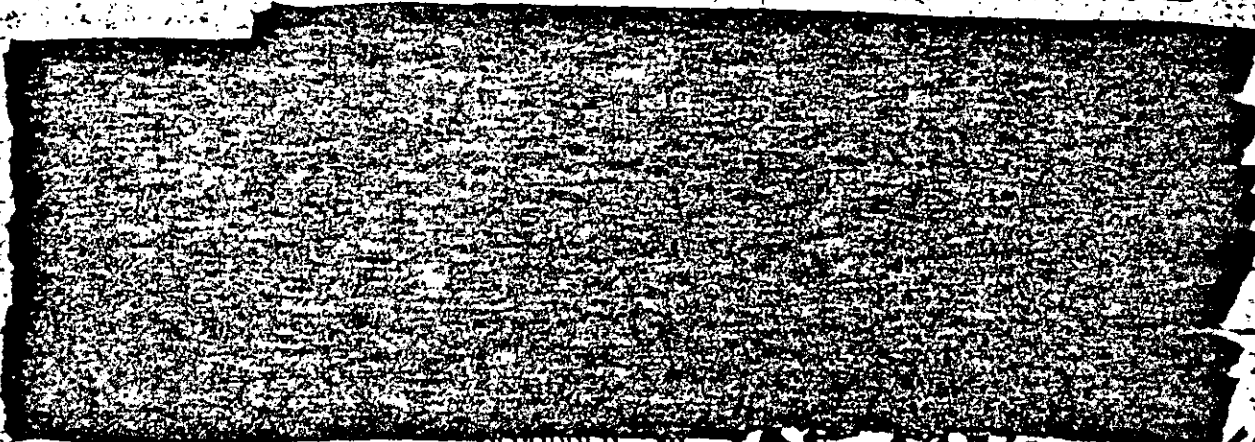
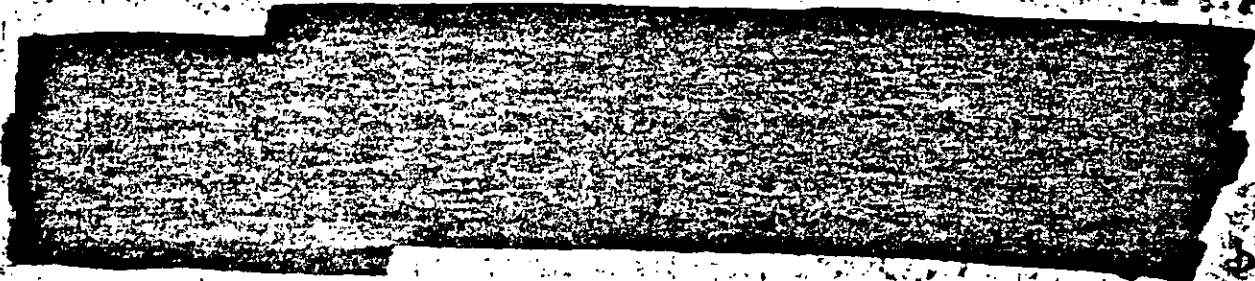
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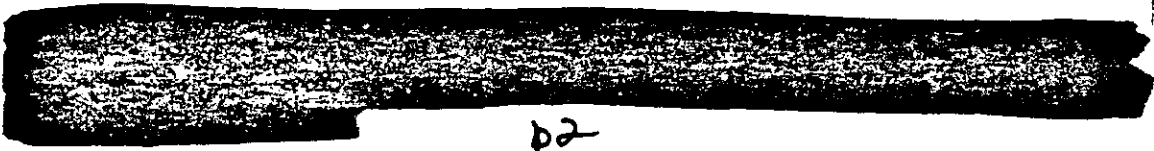
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WILLIAM PERL, ESPIONAGE - R, PERJURY. REBULET OCTOBER 1 LAST. THEODORE VON KARMAN'S PRESENT ADDRESS IS CARE OF DOCTOR GABRIELLI, FIAT - MIRFFIORI COMPANY, TORINO, ITALY. HE WILL RETURN TO PARIS ABOUT NOVEMBER 1, 1951 TO BECOME INSTRUCTOR AT THE SORBONNE IN PARIS FOR NINE MONTHS. UNLESS INSTRUCTED TO CONTRARY NO FURTHER ACTION BY THIS OFFICE UNTIL HE RETURNS TO PARIS.

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Director, FBI

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The Legal Attache, Paris, France, has advised that Theodore Von Karman is presently located in Torino, Italy, and is not expected to return to Paris until November 1, 1951; further, that upon Von Karman's return to Paris, he is expected to serve as an instructor at the Sorbonne for a period of nine months.

The desired interview concerning Perl will be conducted by the Legal Attache, Paris, subsequent to Von Karman's return to that city.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (#65-59312)

DATE: October 18, 1951

FROM : SAC, Chicago

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL w.s.
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Re NY letter to Director, 10-2-51.

For the information of the New York office, Miss E. MC COY, Consultant, Savings and Loan Division, U. S. Treasury Department, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, advised on October 17, 1951 that the search instituted concerning the bond purchases and redemptions of MAX SOLOMAN and SARAH SELTZER will not be complete until Monday, October 24, 1951.

Chicago will forward the results of the current investigation referred to above immediately when received from the Savings and Loan Division.

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Assistant Attorney General James M. McInerney

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Reference is made to your memorandum of October 1, 1951, in the above-captioned matter, your reference JMM:CEN:vb 146-41-15-141. It is noted that you requested the Bureau's opinion as to the advisability of referring the information relative to the possible income tax violation on the part of Perl to the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

You are advised that this Bureau interposes no objection to your referring such information to the Bureau of Internal Revenue and that the matter as to the advisability of taking such action at the present time is being left to your discretion.

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa;
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DATE: Oct. 19, 1951

Re Cleveland report 9/27/50.

Mrs. ALICE JACOBSON, Dissertation Secretary, Columbia University, was contacted for information concerning WILLIAM PERL'S dissertation which was prepared in connection with his Doctor's degree. JACOBSON advised that as a partial fulfillment for the requirements of a Doctor's degree, it was necessary that the student prepare a dissertation.

In this connection, WILLIAM PERL, on October 24, 1949, applied at Columbia University for his final examination for a degree of Doctor of Philosophy. From her records, JACOBSON was unable to state whether PERL appeared in person on this date or had applied by mail. On November 26, 1949, PERL took an oral examination for his degree.

JACOBSON stated that by letter dated 3/21/50, PERL transmitted to Columbia University three printed copies of his dissertation entitled, "Calculation of Transonic Flows Past Thin Airfoils by an Integral Method". These three copies were received at Columbia University on 3/24/50. PERL'S letter to the University bore the address of 16802 Larchwood Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. In addition PERL forwarded two copies of this dissertation to the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

The printed copy of PERL'S dissertation on file in the Special Collection Section, Columbia University Library was examined. It was noted that the title page contained the following information. At the top of the page appeared the name of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; below that appeared the title, "Calculation of Transonic flows Past Thin Airfoils by an Integral Method", by WILLIAM PERL. This page also reflected that the book was printed privately, January, 1950, however, the name of the printer was not set forth.

On pages 72 through 76 of this thesis, PERL listed as references 55 assorted documents. From an examination of the information contained in these references, it appears that 26 of these documents have symbols and numbers which appear as

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though they have been designated by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. Six other references listed appear to be for documents that were prepared by the U.S. Navy or Army Air Force. The remaining references appear to be documents issued by various technical societies.

The following is a listing of the various references appearing in PERL'S dissertation which appear to carry a NACA, U.S. Navy or Army Air Force symbol. A selected number of titles have been included in the following listing, however, all identifying numbers and symbols have been included:

<u>REFERENCE NUMBER:</u>	<u>IDENTIFYING SYMBOLS:</u>	<u>REMARKS:</u>
2	NACA, TM 1113, 1947	Investigation of compression shocks and boundary layers in gases moving at high speed.
4	Prepared by CIT, June, 1947 under AAF Contract No. W33-038 ac-177	
6	NACA Report 768, 1943	The flow of a compressible fluid past a curved surface.
8	Technical Report No. F-TR-2176-ND	Technical Intelligence, Air Material Command, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dec. 1947
11	NACA TN 995, 1946	
12	NACA TN 1445, 1948	Two dimensional irrotational transonic flows of a compressible fluid
14	NACA TN 1170, 1947	

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15	NACA TN 1171, 1947	
16	NACA	Variational method for transonic flows with shock waves.
18	NACA TM 1203, 1949	
19	NACA TN 1746, 1948	
20	NACA TN 1003, 1946	
23	USN Project Squid, Contract N6ori-105, Task Order III.	
24	NACA RMA 7A02, 1947	
25	NACA TN 1813, 1949	
27	NACA TN 1642, 1948	Velocity distribution on symmetrical airfoils in closed tunnels by conformal mapping.
28	NACA TM 1189, 1948	
30	NACA TN 1328, 1947	Calculation of compressible flows past aerodynamic shapes by use of the stream-lined curvature.
35	NACA Report 894, 1948	
36	NACA ARR E5A05, 1945	This is the two-dimensional incompressible potential flow over corrugated and distorted infinite surfaces, by W. Perl and L.J. Green.
38	NACA TN 961, 1944	

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ReNYlet October 19, 1951, in the above-captioned matter wherein reference was made to the dissertation prepared for Columbia University by William Perl which was entitled "Calculation of Transonic Flows Past Thin Airfoils by an Integral Method."

For your information and assistance in connection with the investigation requested in referenced letter, Mr. Robert Bell, Security Officer, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), has advised that Perl's dissertation is considered as an unclassified document and has been designated as NACA Technical Note #2130. He indicated that, prior to the time that this dissertation was made available to Columbia University, same had been appropriately cleared by NACA which would relieve Perl of any responsibility in the event classified information appeared therein.

It is suggested that the information appearing in reflet concerning the inclusion of data taken from NACA catalogue cards should be borne in mind at the time of your interview with Eleanore Wilkins as requested in Bulet of October 24, 1951.

cc: New York (65-15337)

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC, NY

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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DATE: October 16, 1951

Rereps made at NY 9/10/51 and Cleveland 9/27/50.

Mrs. SARAH MUTTERPERL, mother of WILLIAM and SAMUEL MUTTERPERL, when interviewed at her home, 936 Tiffany Street, NYC, on 8/1/50, advised in part as follows:

MORRIS BIRNBAUM, who formerly resided at 1414 Second Avenue, NYC, was a friend of her son SAMUEL. He obtained a job in Washington through her son WILLIAM. BIRNBAUM, she said, was residing at 1630 R Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Investigation, as reflected on page 108 of re NY report, disclosed that SAMUEL B. PERL and MORRIS M. BIRNBAUM had opened a savings account on August 26, 1949, at the Bank for Savings in the City of New York. This account was closed January 13, 1950. SAMUEL PERL had listed his business address as being 1360 Broadway, NYC. Re Cleveland report sets forth data obtained during an authorized search of the apartment at 666 E. 103rd Street, Cleveland, occupied by WILLIAM PERL. During this search, a letter addressed to WILLIAM PERL from MORRIS BIRNBAUM, dated Feb. 8, 1950, was located and the details of this letter have been set forth on pg. 59 of re Cleveland report. In this letter BIRNBAUM wrote WILLIAM PERL in part as follows:

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"I'm just writing a few words to say hello to you. Since last seeing you, I have held two jobs and am now working for the Government in Washington, D. C.

"As time goes by, I am starting to see, more and more, many of the points you brought up when I saw you at Columbia."

In view of SARAH MUTTERPERL'S statement that MORRIS BIRNBAUM was a friend of SAMUEL and had secured a Government position in Washington, D. C. through the assistance

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of WILLIAM PERL, Washington Field Office is requested to locate and interview BIRNBAUM re the activities and associates of WILLIAM and SAMUEL PERL. When SARAH MUTTERPERL was interviewed, she advised BIRNBAUM was residing at 1630 R St., N.W., Washington, D. C.; however, BIRNBAUM'S letter of 2/8/50 showed his address to be 411 Second Street, S. E., Washington 3, D. C.

During this interview of BIRNBAUM, WFO is requested to question him re the following specific items:

1. When did BIRNBAUM first meet SAMUEL and WILLIAM PERL together with details re the circumstances surrounding the meetings.
2. Did BIRNBAUM ever visit PERL in Cleveland, and does he recall any visits WILLIAM PERL made to NY.
3. Details of any meetings BIRNBAUM had with WILLIAM and SAMUEL PERL in NY. Did he ever visit WILLIAM PERL at 65 Morton St., and if so details.

Info should be secured re any other apartments or rooms BIRNBAUM recalls in which PERL may have resided, particularly re any residence in the Lower East Side of NY about 1946.

4. Attempts should be made to develop info re other persons BIRNBAUM met through WILLIAM and SAMUEL PERL. Did he ever meet JULIUS ROSENBERG?

WFO is requested to exhibit the pictures of the various members of the ROSENBERG Ring to BIRNBAUM.

5. Details of BIRNBAUM'S conversation with WILLIAM PERL re the securing of Government employment. What assistance did PERL render in this matter? What job did BIRNBAUM

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leave to take his Government position. Attention is directed to the first sentence in the second paragraph of BIRNBAUM'S letter of 2/8/50 to PERL. BIRNBAUM should be questioned for further details.

6. Examine any letters, diaries, or pictures he may have which concern the PERLS or other members of the ROSENBERG Ring. Secure, if possible, a picture and background info of BIRNBAUM.
7. Details should be secured re the joint savings account together with an explanation of BIRNBAUM'S connection with SAMUEL PERL in this matter and also the reason for terminating the account. Info re any other bank accounts should be secured.

The info re the above bank account was obtained by the NYO on the usual confidential basis; therefore, the details of this bank info should not be revealed to BIRNBAUM.

WFO is requested to develop info re the 1860 Broadway address listed by PERL with the savings bank.

WFO will determine if the General Accounting Office has ledger statements showing all salary payments to WILLIAM PERL during his U. S. Government employment. If so, will secure photostats of same in order that complete details of all salary payments, deduction for U. S. Savings Bonds, hospitalization, etc. can be determined.

The records of the Veterans Administration, 252 Seventh Avenue, NYC, reflect that on November 1, 1949, this organization's file # C9-222-960 re SAMUEL E. PERL, 936 Tiffany Street, had been transferred to Washington, D. C. This transfer had been made because of PERL'S foreign residence.

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At the present time, the NYO is attempting to secure background info re SAMUEL PERL together with info re his activities; therefore, WFO is requested to review SAMUEL PERL'S Veteran Administration file for any pertinent info contained therein.

Please handle expeditiously.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: October 27, 1951

FROM : SAO, CLEVELAND

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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Re New York letter, 10-3-51, in the case entitled "WELDON BRUCE DAYTON".

Official leave records of NACA indicating daily attendance of employees are destroyed six months after they are made out. In attempting to prove that DAYTON and PERL were together at the time GARY PICKARD moved out of Apartment 6 I, 65 Morton Street, the following suggestions are offered:

First, it is noted that referenced letter states on page ten, paragraph two, that February 3 and 4 were a Thursday and a Friday. This is erroneous and, in fact, these days fell on a Friday and Saturday (Saturday was then not a work day at NACA).

The only evidence that the moving of PICKARD from 65 Morton Street was on Sunday, the 29th of January, is the general statement of each person interviewed that this occurred the latter part of January and on a Sunday, and the fact that the utility services were discontinued under ALFRED SARANT'S name as of the 31st of January and re-instituted on February 1st under THOMAS DONOVAN'S name.

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MELISANDE CONGDON has stated from her engagement calendar that she was at the 65 Morton Street Apartment with GARY PICKARD on January 28, 1950, at which time the Superintendent, and two or three other individuals who were allegedly relatives of the new tenants, viewed the Morton Street Apartment (Mr. THOMAS DONOVAN and his two sisters have advised that they were the visitors at approximately this time); however, DONOVAN had previously stated he visited with

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his sisters on January 20, 1950, which, according to him, was the date of his mother's death. He states he moved into the Apartment on February 1, 1950.

PICKARD has stated that he lived at the 65 Morton Street Apartment alone for a week or longer after approximately the third week of January, 1950. He alleges he moved on January 29th, a Sunday, helped by MAXWELL FINESTONE, the day PERL and DAYTON visited FINESTONE, and that he left with FINESTONE, PERL and DAYTON in JIMMIE WINESTEIN'S car. He intimates that, in leaving, he then moved in directly with FINESTONE and WINESTEIN although he has previously stated he did not move in with them until the first of February.

Since PERL and DAYTON can be shown to have been in New York City on the week-end of February 4 and 5, 1950 (both admit attending American Physical Society meeting at this time), it would appear logical to assume that the actual moving may well have taken place on that week-end rather than the week-end of January 29, 1950.

It is suggested that PICKARD and the DONOVANS be re-interviewed concerning the exact date PICKARD may have moved out and the DONOVANS may have moved in and, in this regard, it is suggested a review be made of any leave record maintained at DONOVAN'S place of employment to see if he was absent from work during this period for the purpose of moving. Since February 1st was a Wednesday, DONOVAN, in all probability, would have taken at least one day off if he would, in fact, move on this date.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)
FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa;
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PERJURY

DATE: October 26, 1951

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ATT: FBI LABORATORY

Reference is made to Cleveland letter, dated October 6, 1951, and the report of SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE, dated October 6, 1951.

There is enclosed for the Laboratory the original Leave Cards maintained by NACA for WILLIAM JUTTERPERL for the year 1944. As is mentioned in referenced letter, there are numerous errors and corrections on these cards and it is desired that the Laboratory attempt to ascertain the writing which has been removed or written over.

It is of great importance to be able to place PERL in New York City between July 27, 1944, and August 2, 1944, and in particular on Saturday, July 29, 1944. NACA officials have advised that Saturday was a regular work day during 1944 and apparently annual leave was deducted for absences on Saturday.

It is pointed out to the Laboratory Examiner that the seventh column from the bottom of the first card contains the notation 8:30 to 9:30 and then 3-3-44 and again 3-3-44. A cursory examination reflects the possibility that a date for the month of July, 1944, may have been erased from beneath these figures.

The holographic initials of SAs JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE and FREDERICK L. EDWARDS are reflected on these cards. It is requested the originals be returned to this office and a copy of your examinations be furnished to the New York Office.

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BY SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: October 23, 1951
TO: Director
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics
1724 F Street, N. E.
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Bell
Security Officer

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FROM: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, was.
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There is being transmitted herewith for your information a copy of the report of Special Agent John B. O'Donoghue dated October 6, 1951, at Cleveland, Ohio, in the above-captioned matter.

You will note that as a result of a check of the leave records at the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory of your Committee at Cleveland, Ohio, Perl was charged with having taken 22 days annual leave during the year 1944. However, a memorandum appeared in Perl's file indicating that as of November 9, 1944, he had actually taken 23 days annual leave during that year.

Inasmuch as it is of importance to this Bureau to establish whether Perl may have been absent from work on July 29, 1944, it will be appreciated if you will make a check of any available records in an effort to establish the exact period of time when Perl may have taken the six additional days of leave, which apparently were not reflected in the leave records of the Laboratory. As previously mentioned, it is particularly of interest to determine whether any of this unrecorded leave may have been taken on or about July 29, 1944.

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- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Winterrowd
- Miss Gandy

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa;
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

DATE: 10/31/51

Bureau's attention is directed to information received from Security Informant [redacted] on 4/5/51 to the effect that JULIUS ROSENBERG had told PERL through the informant that "The only evidence the FBI had on PERL was a photograph which was located in JOEL BARR's penthouse showing ROSENBERG, PERL and BARR with their arms around each other's shoulders." As previously advised, the reference to "JOEL BARR's penthouse" apparently indicates his mother's home which is a penthouse apartment at 241 West 97th Street, New York City, where JOEL resided prior to his departure for Europe in January 1948. 67D

As set forth in NYtel dated 1/27/51 entitled "JOEL BARR; ESPIONAGE - R" (Bufile 65-59453) JOEL BARR's mother, Mrs. REBECCA BARR, is quite old and according to her sons, ARTHUR and BERNARD, she became very ill over not hearing from JOEL and being contacted by this Bureau regarding him. However, they did not blame Bureau agents for their mother's illness.

It is noted that Mrs. REBECCA BARR was interviewed by this office during August 1950 incidental to the BARR investigation. It was learned at this time that Mrs. BARR neither reads nor writes English and speaks brokenly.

ARTHUR and BERNARD BARR were reinterviewed on 3/19/51 as set forth in NYtel dated 3/27/51 in the BARR case, at which time the request was made that in view of their mother's health, she not be recontacted by this office. BERNARD BARR stated at that time that they would cooperate with the Government all they could in the hope that it would be unnecessary to again interview their mother.

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Again during April 1951 as set forth in NYtel dated 4/13/51 in instant case, it was learned that Mrs. BARR had been in very poor health and unable to leave her home during the previous six months. BERNARD definitely recommended against any contact with his mother at that time. It was learned from him that his mother was under the care of Dr. PHILIP SHAPIRO, 124 West 93d Street, New York City.

Dr. PHILIP SHAPIRO advised that he was not in favor of any proposed interview or unnecessary excitement for his patient in view of her age and state of health. It should be noted the NY indices reflect that Dr. PHILIP SHAPIRO is on a list of physicians recommended to members of the International Workers Order in this city.

In subsequent interviews with BERNARD BARR, efforts have been made to enlist his assistance in ascertaining if his brother, JOEL BARR, had left any personal effects, photographs or other property in his mother's home when he departed from New York. BERNARD BARR has not been able to locate the desired material.

The matter of obtaining a search warrant was discussed with AUSA JOHN M. FOLEY, SDNY, at which time the confidential nature of the source of the original information concerning the photograph was pointed out. It was concluded that an affidavit for search warrant could not be made without exposing the original source, which was undesirable.

In view of the above, the feasibility of obtaining a waiver of search from Mrs. BARR was again considered. It is noted that she is the sole tenant of record of this apartment and the sole occupant. Due to her illiteracy and state of health, it is not believed possible that a legitimate waiver of search can be obtained from her.

Considering the obvious importance of this photograph in the proof of Count 3 of the PERL indictment which pertains to his denial of acquaintance with ROSENBERG, it does not appear that any steps should be taken by the Bureau which may adversely affect its admissibility in the event the photo should be located. Any additional means of obtaining access to this photograph will be followed up immediately as they become available to this office. In the interim, any suggestions which the Bureau may have will be appreciated.

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SAC, New York (65-15387)

November 30, 1951

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Reurlet October 31, 1951, pointing out the possible evidentiary value of the group photograph of Julius Rosenberg, Joel Barr and subject Perl and requesting any suggestions as to action that might be taken by your office in an effort to secure possession of this photograph, which is alleged to be in the custody of Barr's parents.

The Bureau is in accord with the comment that no action should be taken in this matter which might render the photo inadmissible should same be located prior to the time of the Perl perjury trial.

However, the potential effective evidentiary value of this photograph should be borne in mind and every avenue for determining its existence and obtaining possession thereof should be given careful and serious consideration. It is necessary, of course, that the highest degree of ingenuity should be employed in an effort to arrive at a method whereby the afore-mentioned end can be accomplished without the contamination of the evidentiary value of the photograph.

It is suggested for your consideration that some [redacted] might be employed whereby Mrs. Rebecca Barr can be induced to exhibit this photograph to an agent for examination. It is also believed that your office may be able to develop as a confidential informant either a neighbor or a close associate of Mrs. Barr who has access to her house and would thus be in a position to ascertain whether such photograph is either on display or otherwise in the possession of Mrs. Barr. In the event its actual possession by Mrs. Barr can thus be established, it is suggested that you thereupon discuss the matter further with the ATTY for his consideration as to the possible issuance of a subpoena duces tecum requiring the production of this photograph before a Federal Grand Jury in the SDNY or the possible issuance of a search warrant.

This matter should receive your prompt attention.

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- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: 10/31/51

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa;
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PERJURY

Re SAC Letter No. 95, Series 1951, dated 9/22/51, which instructs that summary reports be submitted on all Security Index subjects wherein summary reports have not been submitted since 3/22/51. It is noted that subject PERL is carried in the Special Espionage Section in the Security Index.

The Bureau's attention is invited to the prosecutive summary report of SA RICHARD A. MINIHAN, 3/10/51, at NY, entitled "MICHAEL ALEXANDER SIDOROVICH, was; ANNE HANUSIAK SIDOROVICH, wa; WILLIAM PERL, wa; ESPIONAGE - R, PERJURY" which summarizes information connecting PERL and the SIDOROVICHs with the Rosenberg espionage network, as well as information concerning alleged perjuries before the Federal Grand Jury, SDNY.

It is recalled that PERL was arrested for perjury 3/14/51 and is currently released under \$20,000. bail pending trial. Since his arrest, he has been unemployed and residing at his home address. Available information fails to reflect any pertinent activities on his part since the time of his arrest.

It is noted that considerable investigation has been conducted during recent months in an effort to strengthen the proof in the above perjury charge as well as to obtain admissible evidence of alleged espionage activities on the part of subject. Since this investigation is in a pending status, the results of various inquiries not yet being available, it does not appear feasible to prepare a supplementary summary report at this time.

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It is anticipated that if the current inquiries reveal additional information of material value to the pending perjury prosecution or if sufficient admissible evidence is obtained to warrant seeking a superseding indictment for espionage or conspiracy to commit espionage, then a supplemental prosecutive summary report will be prepared at that time.

As previously advised, further recommendation as to the maintenance of subject in the Special Espionage Section of the Security Index will be made at the conclusion of the pending trial.

no additional summary necessary

In view of the above, Bureau is requested to advise this office if it desires a supplementary summary report under the Security Index project at this time. It is noted that by letter dated 4/2/51 the Bureau advised this office that in view of the above prosecutive summary report of SA MINIHAN, it was not necessary at that time to submit an additional summary report under the Security Index project.

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SAC, New York (65-15887)

November 20, 1951

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Reurlet October 21, 1951.

Inasmuch as your office has previously submitted a summary report in connection with the pending perjury prosecution against subject Perl, it will not be necessary for your office to submit an additional summary report at this time by reason of Perl's being listed in the Security Index.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

DATE: October 30, 1951

Reference is made to New York letter to the Director dated October 2, 1951 requesting the Chicago Office to submit complete details of all U. S. Savings Bonds purchases and redemptions made to MAX SOLOMAN and Mrs. SARAH SELTZER.

Enclosed herewith for New York is a list of all the accounts located for MAX SOLOMAN and Mrs. SARAH SELTZER which were obtained through the cooperation of Mr. J. P. THOMPSON, Acting Assistant Chief in Charge, Division of Loans and Currency, Chicago Branch, Treasury Department, on October 23, 1951, by SA MARK H. TUOHEY.

It is to be noted that no holdings in addition to those being furnished were located.

The bonds were redeemed on July 11, 1945 at the Morris Plan Industrial Bank, New York, New York. All the requests for payment were signed by MAX SOLOMAN, 369 Tiffany Avenue, Bronx, New York, except Bond No. M9,793,805E, which shows the New York address as 639 Tiffany Avenue.

It is also to be noted that although the bonds were registered in the name of SOLOMAN, the requests for payment appear as SOLOMAN. RUC

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: November 7, 1951

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (65-2730)

AIR MAIL

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
ESPIONAGE - R

Re New York letter, dated October 8, 1951.
Bulet dated October 24, 1951

ELEANOR WILKINS, Librarian, Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, NACA, was reinterviewed on October 31, 1951 at the Cleveland Office by SA FREDERICK L. EDWARDS and the writer.

Miss WILKINS advised she first met WILLIAM PERL in 1948, shortly after he returned from his leave of absence at Columbia University. She had her first date with him in approximately September of 1948 and she advised it is her recollection that she probably suggested the date and that they had dinner at the Alhambra Tavern. She stated that her association with PERL away from the Laboratory was limited to a social engagement approximately once a month throughout 1948 and 1949. It was a fifty-fifty proposition whether they remained at her home or went to dinner or a show. During 1950 her engagements with PERL increased, in that she probably dated him every two weeks or thereabouts. She could recall no specific place other than the Alhambra Tavern that they had gone to for dinner, but mentioned they had gone to various places and generally went to the Lower Mall Theatre when they went to a show.

Miss WILKINS stated her dealings with PERL at the Laboratory were limited to her official duties as a librarian, and that although PERL was in the habit of withdrawing and requesting more material than the average scientist, his requests were not of such a nature that they would create any suspicion in her mind. She stressed that the material he sought invariably was not classified and consisted of text books, magazine articles and NACA unclassified reports. She noted that NACA Technical Notes (TN) are not classified and are available to the public.

In response to Question 1 mentioned in Bulet of October 24, 1951, Miss WILKINS advised she has never removed any classified material from the Laboratory, nor has she removed any text cards from the library catalog, other than in the course of her official duty. She denied emphatically

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having any such cards at her home, and when it was pointed out to her that she had been observed to have index cards at her home in the company of WILLIAM PERL, she denied that such had happened. She pointed out that she had worked on the preparation of a Bibliography for a paper written by PERL, titled, "Turbulence", but she was unable to recall the date this happened, although she felt it may well have been in the latter part of 1949. She explained that in preparing this Bibliography she used 3 by 5 slips which are used at the Laboratory and believed she did work on these at her home, although she stated she was unable to recall PERL being at her home at any time that she did this work.

Question Number 2, WILKINS advised she was certain that in the year 1949 she had that section of the alphabet N through P for purposes of general inventory and as such inventoried all material charged out to PERL. She is of the belief that she was assigned this section of the alphabet through the normal procurement of drawing lots and she hastened to add that the lots were drawn solely for the purpose of eliminating any undue hardship on one librarian, in that they might get several scientists who are "difficult to deal with". She explained that these scientists were generally division chiefs who had the attitude they did not wish to be bothered with such trivials as an inventory. It was necessary during the course of the 1949 inventory for her to visit PERL's office and inventory material he had in his possession. She was certain that he accounted for everything he had charged to him and made no unusual statements or requests of her. Miss WILKINS was asked if during the year 1950 she had inventoried PERL's charge outs and she stated she did not, that she had had that section of the alphabet L through M, which section she had also had in 1951. She was asked if she had solicited any librarian to change with her during the year 1950, and although she denied recalling such an instance, she stated that if such had happened and she had been refused she might have been a little angry at the refusal. It was pointed out to her that several witnesses have stated she had solicited another employee for such a trade and that since this seemed conclusive it was desirable to ascertain her reason for so doing. WILKINS replied that if she had done so it would have been solely for the purpose of inventoring PERL's charge outs simply because she was better acquainted with him and would be able to deal with him on a friendlier basis. She denied that PERL had requested her to try to inventory his charge outs and denied that she had any motive other than that stated if she had attempted to trade.

Question Number 3, Miss WILKINS advised she had never written any letters or made any purchases for WILLIAM PERL to the best of her recollection, but in response to a question as to whether she had ordered any books for him

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she stated she had on one occasion ordered a catalog from the firm H.K. Lewis of London, England. She was not certain as to whether PERL had mentioned this firm first or whether she had learned of it through her library associates, but it was her understanding that scientific books could be procured through this firm at a much cheaper rate than through similar firms in this country. After getting this catalog she believed that she had ordered some text for PERL, however, she was unable to recall the titles. She stated that PERL did not tell her what to write in ordering these books and the text of her request was of her own origin.

Miss WILKINS admitted that she had a great deal of liking for but stated that nothing in her long association with him would make her feel that she had been duped or used by him in any way and in particular as a source of information by PERL. She stated that she cannot convince herself PERL is guilty of either perjury or espionage and feels that he is the victim of circumstances.

WILKINS has no recollection of any trips to New York made by PERL, the exception of the American Physical Society meetings held in the latter part of January, 1949 (she was certain the year 1949), and advised she knew of this trip because she, herself, had been in New York at the time and attended several of these meetings at which time she encountered PERL. She was able to recall also that in November of 1949 PERL made a trip to New York for the purpose of taking his oral examination for the Degree Doctor of Philosophy. She had no knowledge of any trips made on 4th of July weekends of the years 1948, 1949, or 1950 and could not recall if he had been to New York in January of 1950.

A New York letter of October 19th sets forth certain sections and references appearing in PERL's doctoral thesis. Miss WILKINS advised that those identifying symbols bearing the code letters TN are technical notes prepared by NACA and as previously stated are available for public consumption. She advised that on the back page of technical notes there are attached a series of cards with a code number in the upper left hand corner and the title on the front side and on the reverse thereof is an abstract of the technical note. These are provided by NACA as a service and assistance to organizations receiving copies of the technical notes for cataloging these documents. She felt that since these were available to the public there could be little objection, if any, to their appearing in a thesis.

Miss WILKINS stressed that she had no hard feelings toward PERL as a result of his marriage and does not feel that PERL could have any reason to be angry with her. She again pointed out that she has no access to data classified above confidential and that any service she may have rendered to PERL she also renders to other scientists with whom she has been friendly.

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SAC, Cleveland (65-2730)

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Re Cleveland letter November 7, 1951, setting forth the results of an interview had with Eleanor Wilkins, librarian at the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Cleveland, Ohio.

It is desired that the results of this interview be appropriately set forth in your next investigative report. This report should of course be prepared in a manner suitable for dissemination.

cc: New York (65-15387)

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: November 8, 1951.

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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A Confidential Informant of this office advised that on 11/1/51, the subject, as WILLIAM PERL, received a letter at his home address, 104 E. 36th St., NYC, from the Bankers National Life Insurance Co., 26 Park St., Montclair, NJ.

The Newark Office is requested to conduct appropriate investigation at this insurance company to determine if PERL has a policy with the company and, if so, to obtain complete details of his application for insurance; determine if any portion ever surrendered for cash or if any loans obtained on the policy and any other details of possible interest.

The Newark Office is also requested to place a stop, if possible, in the records of this company so that it will be advised if any unusual activity occurs concerning the policy such as a cancellation or application for surrender or loan. *see ser 612*

2cc: Newark (65-4100)

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Mrs. SALLY SCADDING, Librarian, NACA, advised the writer and SA EDWARDS that Miss WILKINS had in fact solicited her in the year 1950 to trade alphabetical sections of the general inventory in order that she, WILKINS, might be able to inventory charge outs of PERL. It was SCADDING's opinion that WILKINS had no ulterior motive in making such a request other than that she was infatuated with PERL, although she felt PERL had little, if any, interest in WILKINS. SCADDING pointed out that Miss WILKINS has had little contact with men, probably as a result of her deformed foot and that the slight attention paid to her by PERL was enough to completely sell WILKINS on him. She did not feel that WILKINS would have done anything in violation of library and NACA rules even if PERL had made a specific request.

370 Care was taken throughout the interview to avoid revealing [redacted] as the source of information in this matter and it was intimated that WILLIAM PERL may well have furnished the information leading to the questions asked of WILKINS. It was felt by both agents that this was successfully done to some extent and it appeared that WILKINS had no indication that [redacted] was in fact the informant.

Miss WILKINS was advised of Federal Grand Jury's SDNY interest in this matter and was left with impression that it would not be impossible for her to be called by this jury.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
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2 Avenue Gabriel
Paris 8, France

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Date: November 5, 1951
To: Director, FBI (65-59312) *N*
From: *L* Legal Attache, Paris (65-126)
Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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Re Paris cable to the Bureau dated November 5, and Bulets
October 1 and 3, 1951.

THEODORE ~~VON~~ KARLMAN was interviewed in Paris on November 3,
1951.

As the Bureau was previously advised, VON KARLMAN was in Italy
from September to November 3, 1951. He indicated that he would be in
London from November 4 to November 9, at which time he would return to
Paris where he will remain for the rest of the academic year lecturing
at the Sorbonne in Paris.

VON KARLMAN advised that, as he now recalls it, all WACA
reports formerly maintained by him in his office at the Pupin Physics
Laboratory at Columbia University were removed on June 12, 1951. He
said that on this date, Major M. P. MAIER, Secretary of the Scientific
Advisory Board to the Chief of Staff of the U. S. Air Force, the offices
of which Board are at the headquarters of the USAF in Washington, D. C.,
came to New York. Major MAIER made a list of all the confidential data
in VON KARLMAN's possession at that time. Some of the data was burned in
New York at that time in the presence of the Provost Marshall in New
York. The majority of the documents, however, were divided, and a
portion was taken by Major MAIER to his Washington, D. C. office while
the remainder was sent to the office of the Air Research and Development
Command, USAF, which office is located in the former Vista del Arroyo
hotel, Pasadena, California. These documents are now in the custody of
Dr. MORTON ALPERIN in that office.

VON KARLMAN readily agreed to permit the Bureau to take possession
of any of these documents and immediately dictated appropriate letters to
both Major MAIER and Dr. ALPERIN. The signed original of each of these
letters, as well as copies thereof, are being forwarded herewith to the

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Re: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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VON KARMAN in May 1948, PERL had entered the safe or filing cabinet. VON KARMAN said that, in any event, PERL had the combination to both the safe and the filing cabinet because these combinations had not been changed in any way. VON KARMAN said that Dr. KAYAN had never mentioned PERL's accesses to the safe or filing cabinet but remarked that this would probably be normal even if PERL had entered these after May 1948 and in the absence of Dr. VON KARMAN. In any event, PERL might even have entered these without the specific knowledge of Dr. KAYAN. It was VON KARMAN's suggestion, however, that Dr. KAYAN might be able to shed some light on the question.

With regard to the funds paid to PERL for his services in connection with the SVERDRUP and PARCEL Consultation work, VON KARMAN said that, to the best of his present recollection, these monies were all paid directly to PERL by Sverdrup and Parcel Company of St. Louis. VON KARMAN said that he simply okeyed for Sverdrup and Parcel payments made to PERL. He said that he used this method because he wished to avoid having to explain on his own income tax form receipt of funds and their subsequent disbursement.

VON KARMAN said that all his records in this connection are presently in the custody of Mrs. MARIE RODDENBERRY, 1501 South Marengo Avenue, Pasadena, California, and he readily agreed to permit representatives of the FBI to examine these. He said, however, that the records would probably be very meagre, would consist exclusively, probably, of his cancelled checks. In any event, he dictated a letter to Mrs. RODDENBERRY authorizing her to put all available records concerning his business relations with PERL at the disposal of the FBI. The signed original of this letter, as well as a copy thereof, are being forwarded to the Bureau herewith. One copy is being retained in the Paris office file and, at his request, one copy was delivered to VON KARMAN.

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Paris, France

November 5, 1951

Major M. P. Maier
Secretary
Scientific Advisory Board
U. S. Air Force
Washington, D. C.

Dear Monk:

You will remember our meeting in New York June 3, when we liquidated my safe at Columbia University.

This letter authorizes you to deliver to the representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation all documents which have been in the safe or the filing cabinet at Columbia University, and are now in your office in Washington, D. C., for further investigation. Please also deliver the list of the documents which were destroyed on June 3 to the representative of the FBI.

Very sincerely yours,

Theodore Van Karmas

ENCLOSURE 65-59312-593

Paris, France

November 8, 1951

Dr. Martin Alperin
Pasadena Office of the
Air Research and Development Command
Vista Del Arroyo
Pasadena, California

Dear Mr. Al:

The Federal Bureau of Investigation wants to have temporarily
all documents which have been sent from New York, Columbia University,
to our Pasadena Office.

This letter authorizes you to deliver these documents in
request to the representative of the FBI.

Very cordially yours,

Theodore Van Karmali

ENCLOSURE 65-59312-583

Paris, France

November 3, 1951

Mrs. Marie Reddenberry
1501 South Marengo Avenue
Pasadena, California

Dear Marie:

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is interested to have records of all payments which have been made to William Perl through myself during the time he worked for me.

Please investigate whether any cancelled checks issued to William Perl are in my possession or whether any other records on payments exist.

This letter authorizes you to deliver such records, including the cancelled checks, in request to the representative of the FBI.

Yours as Ever

Theodore Von Karman

ENCLOSURE 65-69370-583

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TO: Director, FBI (65-59312)
 FROM: *JH* SAC, Albany (65-1673)
 SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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DATE: November 8, 1951

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11-8-51

Re New York letter to Director dated October 2, 1951.

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[REDACTED] advised SA ALEXANDER L. GUCKER of this office that the files of the New York State Tax Commission failed to reflect that any of the following persons had ever filed New York State Income Tax Returns:

Q.I.R.?

- ABRAHAM MUTTERPERL, 936 Tiffany Street, Bronx, New York
- SARAH MUTTERPERL, 936 Tiffany Street, Bronx, New York
- WILLIAM MUTTERPERL (from any of the addresses indicated in reference letter)
- HENRIETTA PERL (or HENRIETTA MUTTERPERL or HENRIETTA SAVAGE)
65 Morton Street or 104 East 38th Street, New York City

The foregoing information was furnished by letter rather than by investigative report in the light of arrangements made with **[REDACTED]** that information furnished by him will not be disseminated outside the Bureau and will be used only for investigative leads. RUC.

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cc: New York (65-15387)

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: November 11, 1951

FROM : SAC, Cleveland (65-2730)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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ReBulet 9-29-51 and NY letter 10-4-51.

Neither the Cleveland Trust Company nor the Central National Bank of Cleveland maintain photographic records of checks deposited at these institutions, nor are deposit slips generally maintained.

Cleveland teletype of 3-1-51 advised that no account could be located for PERL at the Commercial and Savings Bank, Berea, Ohio, according to FRED SANDERS, Auditor of said bank.

The pertinent bank officials have again been requested to attempt to trace the items mentioned in relets and you will be advised of the results thereof.

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cc - New York (65-15387)

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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP R, PERJURY. REURTEL NOV ONE REQUESTING REASON FOR INDEFINITE ADJOURNMENT OF INSTANT TRIAL. BUREAU IS ADVISED THAT THIS CASE TAKEN OFF CRIMINAL CALENDAR ON OCT FOUR LAST ALONG WITH ALL OTHER PENDING CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS ON WHICH USA-S OFFICE DID NOT WISH TO PROCEED AT THAT TIME. THIS ACTION TAKEN BY USA OFFICE UNDER NEW POLICY IN CRIMINAL PART OF SDNY WHEREBY CASES ARE NOT TO BE PUT OVER FROM ONE DATE TO ANOTHER ON COURT CALENDAR BUT IN LIEU THEREOF TO BE WITHDRAWN ENTIRELY UNTIL SUCH TIME AS CASE ACTUALLY TO BE TRIED AT WHICH TIME IT IS REPLACED ON THE CALENDAR WITH FIVE DAYS NOTICE FOR TRIAL TO DEFENSE. USA MYLES J. LANE HAS ADVISED THAT CRIMINAL CALENDAR CROWDED AND THAT CRIMINAL DIVISION HIS OFFICE CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN PREPARATION FOR TRIAL OF OTHER SECURITY CASES INCLUDING REMINGTON. ALSO THAT HE DESIRES PERSONALLY TO TRY PERL CASE, AND THAT HE DOES NOT DESIRE TO DO SO UNTIL CIRCUIT COURT DECISION IN ROSENBERG CASE KNOWN. HE SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY THAT IF DECISION UNFAVORABLE TO ROSENBERG HE OR HIS WIFE MAY DESIRE TO TALK

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WHICH WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY RESULT IN SUPERSEDING ESPIONAGE INDICTMENT AGAINST PERL AND OTHERS INCLUDING POSSIBLY GLASSMAN, SIDOROVICHES, FINESTONE, ETC. BUREAU IS ADVISED THAT VARIOUS RAMIFICATIONS OF THIS CASE AND RELATED CASES HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED WITH USA AS TO EVIDENCE NECESSARY TO OBTAIN CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT ESPIONAGE INDICTMENT AGAINST PERL AND OTHERS BUT THAT NO SPECIFIC REQUEST OR SUGGESTION HAS BEEN MADE TO ADJOURN PERL PERJURY TRIAL ON BASIS OF THESE ESPIONAGE INVESTIGATIONS.

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Director, FBI

Re: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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Bureau. One copy is being retained in Paris office files and one copy of each was delivered to VON KARMAN in response to his request.

VON KARMAN said that his office at Columbia maintained no records of the various NACA reports received and did not have any charge out system. He advised that these documents were kept by him both in his Air Force Safe and in his filing cabinets which were equipped with combination locks. No record was kept of the destruction or other disposal of these reports by his office. In this connection, VON KARMAN remarked that all reports received were receipted for in writing and therefore the issuing agency probably would have a record of all those sent to him.

VON KARMAN denied that any information was ever made available to his office at Columbia concerning the N.E.P.A. project. He admitted knowledge of the "Lexington Report", but denied that any data of this type were available at his office in the Pupin Physics Laboratory or any other place to which PERL had access. VON KARMAN indicated that as Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board to the Chief of Staff of the USAF he might have had access to such data in his Washington, D. C. office, but he denied any specific recollection along these lines pointing out that he is primarily a theoretical mathematician and implying lack of specific interest in N.E.P.A. data.

VON KARMAN said that to the best of his recollection, he was last in close contact with PERL at Columbia in May 1948, at which time PERL returned to his job in Cleveland with NACA. He said that PERL had subsequently returned to Columbia in the fall of 1948 to assist him in the preparation of lecture notes.

VON KARMAN said that during the summer of 1948 and 1949 he was away from New York, either in California or in Europe. He said that during these absences, his Air Force safe and his filing cabinet containing NACA data were left in the custody and control of Dr. CARL KAYAN, head of the Mechanical Engineering Department at Columbia. In this connection, he pointed out that Dr. KAYAN was aware of the fact that PERL had been VON KARMAN's assistant and that therefore Dr. KAYAN might well have not regarded it as extraordinary if, after PERL's formal disassociation from

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

DATE: November 2, 1951

Re NY report, 9/10/51 and re Los Angeles report, 4/9/51.

On July 2, 1942 WILLIAM MUTTERPERL'S checking account at the Merchants National Bank, Hampton, Virginia, was charged with a \$53.50 check which had been drawn in favor of The Linguaphone Institute.

On 10/17/51 Miss KATHERINE McKENNA, Supervisor, Accounting Department, The Linguaphone Institute, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, NYC, was contacted for information concerning the above payment. Accordingly, Miss McKENNA produced a letter dated 6/30/42 from WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, Post Office Box 366, Hampton, Virginia. In this letter MUTTERPERL advised the Institute as follows:

"Dear Sirs:

"I wish to get your conversational course in Russian as well as a duplicate set of text books, for which is enclosed \$53.50. Please inform me if the price of the separate set of books is other than \$3.50. ~~EXPEDITE PROCESSING~~

"The main application to which I shall put the Russian language is mathematical and scientific translation. I should appreciate any special instructions or information you may have on this subject.

"Very truly yours

"/s/ William Mutterperl"

Miss McKENNA produced Invoice #24403 dated 7/3/42 which reflected that one Russian Conversational Course, costing \$50.00 was shipped via parcel post to WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, Post Office Box 366, Hampton, Virginia.

cc: Norfolk (65-514) Encls. (2) AIR MAIL
Los Angeles (65-5075) Encls. (2) AIR MAIL

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Invoice #24952 dated 8/24/42 reflected that one set of Russian textbooks costing \$3.50 were shipped to WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, Box 366, Hampton, Virginia.

Invoice #26110 dated 11/21/42 was also located by Miss McKENNA. This invoice reflected that one set of Russian textbooks were shipped to WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, Hampton, Virginia.

According to Miss McKENNA, the \$53.50 check forwarded by MUTTERPERL on 6/30/42 was in payment for the two shipments listed on invoices #24403 and #24952.

Miss McKENNA could not locate the payment for Invoice #26110, and she believes that this shipment was made in error by the Linguaphone Institute.

The Linguaphone Institute file also contained a Form Letter dated 8/3/42. These letters were used by the Institute as a follow-up on previous correspondence with prospective students. In this letter the Institute generally requested the prospective student to advise them why they had not heard from them regarding their Linguaphone course and if there were any reasons why the course was not pursued.

It is noted that one such Form Letter dated 8/3/42 was sent to Mr. H. R. PASS, 2101 Kecoughten Rd., Hampton, Va. PASS returned this letter to the Institute, and at the bottom of the letter he penned the following notation:

"Mr. W. MUTTERPERL and I have taken up your course in Russian; incidently, we are still waiting for the texts in grammar and vocabulary.

/s/ "Herbert R. Pass"

121-13272
The Bureau is requested to furnish the Los Angeles Office with all information developed during the loyalty investigation entitled, "HERBERT RALPH PASS, Aeronautical Engineer - Appointee, Naval Guided Missile Test Center, Department of the Navy, Point Mugu, California; LGE", New York file 121-5595.

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NY 65-15387

Inasmuch as HERBERT PASS has been mentioned by other persons interviewed during this investigation as having been closely associated with PERL, while he was at Langly Field, Virginia, the Los Angeles Office is requested to re-interview HERBERT PASS at the Naval Guided Missile Test Center, Point Mugu, California, for all information he has concerning WILLIAM MUTTERPERL'S activities.

During this interview the Los Angeles Office is requested to cover the following details:

1. Circumstances surrounding his first meeting with PERL. Did PASS know PERL in New York City prior to his employment at Langly Field?

2. On page 4 of re Los Angeles report, it was noted that PASS, when previously interviewed, advised that, while he and PERL were employed at Langly Field, they were acquainted socially, which activity consisted of visits to one another's rooms to listen to records, camping trips, and they engaged in some athletic activities together.

PASS should be questioned concerning these social visits and camping trips, particularly to determine who participated. In this connection PASS should be questioned concerning the above Linguaphone course and circumstances surrounding the reason for studying the Russian language.

3. Also on page 4 of re Los Angeles report, PASS stated that he continued to keep in touch with PERL by mail on an irregular basis and that he saw very little of him personally until the subject was at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California.

PASS should be questioned concerning all meetings he had with PERL during the period of time following PASS' departure from Langly Field, Virginia.

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4. PASS should be requested to make available for review any letters, diaries, or pictures he might have concerning PERL or any other associates, particularly at Langly Field.

The Los Angeles Office is requested to contact the Northrup Aviation Company, Inglewood, California, and secure circumstances surrounding PASS' trips to the East mentioned in re Los Angeles report; also, determine the circumstances and itinerary of PASS' trip which he made to the East in connection with Naval research business on which he was then engaged.

The Norfolk Office is requested to contact appropriate officials at N.A.C.A., Langly Field, Virginia, and determine if it were necessary for either PERL or PASS to have a knowledge of the Russian language to assist them in any scientific or mathematical translation while employed here.

Norfolk is also requested to determine if the Russian language was used in connection with the work at Langly Field; also, determine the names of any USSR representatives who may have been at Langly Field during the period PERL and PASS were employed there. Determine if, during the course of their business, PERL and PASS may have had contacts with these Soviet officials.

One copy of PERL'S letter of 6/30/42 to the Linguaphone Institute, and the Linguaphone Institute's letter of 8/3/42 to H. R. PASS are being furnished to both the Los Angeles and Norfolk Offices for their use.

The Bureau has requested all investigation in connection with this matter be given expeditious attention.

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SAC, New York (65-15387)

November 20, 1951

Director, FBI (65-59812)-591

WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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Reurlet 11-2-51, wherein you requested the Bureau to furnish the Los Angeles office all information concerning Herbert Ralph Pass, who was the subject of a Loyalty investigation as an appointee to the Naval Guided Missile Test Center, Department of the Navy, Point Mugu, California. Review of Bureau LGE file concerning Pass reflected that the Bureau by letter of October 12, 1949, furnished the Los Angeles office with copies of all pertinent reports submitted in this case.

cc: Los Angeles

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TO : W. A. Branigan
FROM : E. F. Enrich
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, AKA.
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DATE: November 16, 1951

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Mr. Clem Pallazola of the Security office AEC telephonically communicated with the writer in this matter. He advised that in reviewing certain files he noticed some information to the effect that subject Perl while assigned to the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at Langley Field, Virginia, was mentioned as having been secretary to the NACA Chapter of the American Association of Scientific Workers. He informed that this information appeared in the report of SA Joseph P. Carrig dated at Norfolk May 1, 1943, in the case entitled "Communist Infiltration of the American Association of Scientific Workers." He stated he was passing this along for what it is worth.

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A review of the Perl file reflects that this information is set forth in the report of SA John B. O'Donoghue dated Cleveland 8-7-50.

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None. For your information.

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MR. A. H. BELMONT

November 26, 1951

MR. C. A. HENNRICH

DR. POLYKARP KUSCH
SECURITY MATTER - C

PURPOSE

To recommend that, in view of Dr. Polykarp Kusch's apparent change in attitude as indicated by his secretary, Mrs. Carol Schneider, the New York office should be authorized to interview him in the Perl matter. Dr. Kusch was placed on the noninterview list by the Bureau in September, 1950, by reason of his uncooperative and belligerent attitude when interrogated in connection with the Perl case.

DETAILS

In August, 1950, William Perl was ascertained to have made a trip from Cleveland, Ohio, to New York City and to have visited with Dr. Polykarp Kusch, a professor in the Science Department at Columbia University, New York City. Subsequent thereto, Special Agent Edward C. Morgan of the New York office interviewed Dr. Kusch concerning his knowledge of the activities of Perl and the purpose of Perl's visit to Dr. Kusch.

According to the information reported, Dr. Kusch displayed a rather unfriendly and uncooperative attitude from the outset of the interview. When he was specifically questioned concerning Perl's visit to his office, he launched into a tirade against the Bureau's action in delving into the private affairs of an individual. He also indicated he was not desirous of being interviewed on any matter by the FBI in the future.

Based on the foregoing, Dr. Kusch was placed on the Bureau's noninterview list in September, 1950.

During the course of an AAAA investigation as to Dr. Kusch, his secretary, Mrs. Carol Schneider, was recently interviewed. During the course of this interview, she made refer-

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cc: 65-59312 (Perl)

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to the matter of Dr. Kusch's interview by Special Agent Morgan in August, 1950. According to Mrs. Schneider, Dr. Kusch had spoken to her relative to this interview, indicating that he had been entirely wrong and that he very much regretted his action and behavior on that occasion. Further, that Dr. Kusch explained to her that his actions at that time were motivated by his having been up the entire previous night due to illness in his family and that he was suffering from a terrible headache.

Mrs. Schneider volunteered that she felt certain from her conversation with Dr. Kusch that, if he were re-interviewed concerning the same matter, it would be a different story and he would prove most cooperative.

According to New York letter of October 28, 1951, in instant AEA matter, Mrs. Schneider has been fully cooperative with the Bureau in the past and it was believed that considerable weight could be placed on her appraisal of this matter.

It might be further mentioned in this regard that the previous interview of Dr. Kusch occurred prior to the time of the indictment and arrest of William Perl on the charge of perjury.

It is pointed out that Dr. Kusch, in view of his position as head of the Science Department at Columbia University, should be in a position to furnish considerable information concerning the nature of Perl's activities during the period of the latter's employment as an assistant in the office of Dr. Theodore Von Karman. It should further be interesting to ascertain from him the exact nature of Perl's conversation with Dr. Kusch at the time of his visit to Columbia University in August, 1950.

RECOMMENDATION

In view of the foregoing, it is recommended that the New York office be authorized to interview Dr. Kusch in instant matter. Such interview will serve to determine his

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present attitude toward the Bureau and also enable the development of possible information of value with respect to the activities of Perl.

A letter furnishing such authorization is attached hereto for your approval. This letter, however, suggests that the authorized interview be delayed pending the receipt of the results of an interview of Dr. Theodore Von Korman which was recently had in Paris, France, on the possibility that the information furnished by Von Korman may serve as a basis for additional questioning of Kusch.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: November 30, 1951

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5543)

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.,
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The 336 items described in the attached memorandum are submitted for the following examination:

1. To determine, if possible, whether the various items have been taken apart for photographing and then re-assembled. In this regard, it is to be noted that items number 245, 252, 331, 332, and 333 consisted originally of loose sheets which were stapled together by Major MARK P. MAIER after their removal from Dr. VON KARMAN's office and, consequently, these items need not be examined for this purpose.
2. To determine whether or not any of the items contain the latent fingerprints of the following individuals:

WILLIAM PERL
JULIUS ROSENBERG
MICHAEL ALEXANDER SIDOROVITCH
MAXWELL FINESTONE

The above 336 items consist of NACA reports and other material which were removed from the office of Dr. THEODORE VON KARMAN at Columbia University in June, 1951, by Major MARK P. MAIER, Deputy Secretary, Scientific Advisory Board, Office of Chief of Staff, Pentagon.

Major MAIER has advised he does not desire the return of any of this material with the exception of the textbook entitled "JET PROPULSION".

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CC - LOS ANGELES (65-5075)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: SAC, Cleveland

November 29, 1951

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on November 1, 1951.

Re: WILLIAM PERL, was;
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J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO. 65-2730
LAB. NO. 65-59312-521
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Examination requested by: SAC, Cleveland

Reference: Letter 10-26-51

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

- Q27 Original Leave Card for William Mutterperl, dated 12-23-43.
- Q28 Original Leave Card for William Mutterperl, dated 11-3-44.

RESULT OF EXAMINATION:

Special photographic methods were used in an attempt to develop the obliterated writing on specimens Q27 and Q28 and the results obtained are set forth as follows:

Specimen Q27

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The 3rd space under the column headed "EX-25" at present contains the writing "8:30". An obliteration has been made in this space but the original writing cannot be developed.

The 6th space under the columns headed "FROM" and "TO" contains some obliterated writing which cannot be clearly developed. Charac-

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teristics are present under the column headed "TO" which indicate that the obliteration in this space could be "3:35 pm." No other writing has been written over the obliterations.

The 19th space under the column headed "Days" contains a "1" which has been obliterated. This indicates that a change has been made from 1 day to 1 hour. In the spaces which now contain the numbers "830" and "930" it appears that the date including the numbers "7 - 44" was originally written. The writing between the numbers "7" and "44" cannot be clearly developed. In the spaces now containing the dates "3-3-44" the obliterated writing cannot be clearly developed. However, some characteristics are present which suggest that the original writing under the column headed "FROM" may be "8:30." The obliterated writing under the column headed "TO" appears to begin with "5." It is possible that the original entry in this space was "5:00" or "5:30."

The 22nd space under the column headed "Days" contains the obliterated numeral "3." This indicates that a change has been made from 3 days to 4 1/2 hours. The previous writing in the spaces now containing the dates "8-26-44" cannot be clearly developed. The obliterated writing in the space under the heading "FROM" now containing the number "12:30" appears to be the same number as now written in this space, namely "12:30." The obliterated writing in the space now containing the "5:00" cannot be developed.

Specimen C28

The 4th space under the columns headed "FROM" and "TO" contains a stain which indicates that some previously written numerals may have been eradicated in this area. It is not possible to develop this original writing.

It should be noted that certain chemicals may also be applied to obliterated areas in attempts to restore the obliterated writing. This process results in permanent staining of the areas where such chemicals are applied. For this reason, this process was not used in this examination. It is not known whether the use of chemicals would result in a better restoration of the obliterated writing on Q27 and Q28. Actual tests would have to be made of the evidence before this could be determined. If it is desired that such tests be made, you should advise the Bureau accordingly and return the evidence with your request.

Specimens Q27 and Q28 are returned herewith. Photographic copies are retained.

SAC, New York (65-15387)

November 30, 1951

Director, FBI (65-59312)

WILLIAM PERL, aka.
ESPIONAGE - R
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At the request of the Bureau, AEC has made a check of its records for the purpose of determining the possible availability of reports on the Nuclear Energy for Propulsion of Aircraft (NEPA) Project in New York City.

In connection with this request, AEC has advised that a Dr. Morris Kolodney, professor in the Science Department at CCNY, had served as a consultant on NEPA and therefore may have had in his possession at one time or another a copy of the NEPA-4 as well as the Lexington Report and its appendices. No information was available indicating that Perl may have had access to any documents in the possession of Dr. Kolodney but this possibility was suggested in view of the fact that Perl himself was a graduate from CCNY and therefore may well have been acquainted with this project.

A check of Bufiles reflected that your office is in possession of all identifiable subversive information concerning Morris Kolodney. You are therefore authorized to interview him concerning his knowledge of the activities of Perl, unless information appears in the files of your office which would make such interview inadvisable at the present time.

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During your interview, you should determine whether Dr. Kolodney had available in his office any copies of the pertinent NEPA reports and, if so, discuss with him the possibility of Perl having gained access thereto.

This should be given your early attention.

NOTE: Morris Kolodney was born in NYC on September 29, 1911. His parents were born in Poland. He graduated from CCNY in June, 1932, receiving a B.S. degree and thereafter he received both his M.S. and his Ph.D. degrees from Columbia U. It was noted that during the years 1946 and 1948 (continued on p. 1a)

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Kolodney served as a consultant both for the Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corporation, NYC, as well as the Los Alamos Laboratory at Los Alamos, New Mexico.

Morris Kolodney was a member of the American Federation of Teachers between the years 1935 and 1939, the Charter of Locals 5 and 537 of which organization whose members included New York college teachers, was revoked because of CP control, according to the files of the Rapp-Coudart Committee.

The investigation concerning Kolodney failed to develop any definite proof indicating his membership in the CP but reflected that he was a close associate of several individuals who were known to be CP members. No indication of esp. on the part of Kolodney was developed during the investigation.

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November 30, 1951

Director, FBI (65-59312)

WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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PERJURY

Rebutel October 1, 1951, advising that further interview with Dr. Polykarp Kusch be held in abeyance pending the outcome of the interview with Dr. Theodore Von Karman at Paris, France.

It was noted that in your letter of October 22, 1951, in the case entitled "Polykarp Kusch - NY - 15796; AEA," an interview was recently had with Mrs. Carol Schneider, Kusch's secretary. According to Mrs. Schneider, Dr. Kusch indicated to her that he was sorry for his behavior on the day of his interview by Special Agent Edward C. Morgan; further, that it was her opinion that, if Dr. Kusch were reinterrogated concerning the Perl matter, it would be entirely different and he would prove most cooperative.

In view of his apparent change in attitude, your office is therefore authorized to reinterview Dr. Kusch in this matter so that the Bureau might be in a position to determine whether he is sincere in his indicated desire to cooperate. It is suggested, however, that this interview be delayed until the results of the interview with Dr. Von Karman are made available for your information and consideration.

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NOTE: Kusch was placed on the noninterrogation list in September, 1950, by reason of his uncooperative and belligerent attitude when interrogated by SA Morgan in connection with instant case. Ref NYlet indicates that he is now repentant and desires to make amends. It is considered that Dr. Kusch as head of the Science Dept. at Columbia may be in a position to furnish considerable info re Perl's activities while employed as Assistant to Dr. Von Karman, likewise in the Science Dept. at Columbia.

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cc: Mr. Eberle

cc: Mr. Jones

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (65-1743)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

DATE: 12-10-51

Mr. ARTHUR N. TIFFORD appeared in the office of the Columbus Resident Agency of the FBI on 11-19-51 and advised that he desired several false statements that he had made on employment questionnaires from 1942 to 1945 cleared up.

It is recalled that TIFFORD was interviewed on 3-23-51 concerning his possible acquaintanceship with the above captioned subject. At that particular time TIFFORD admitted that he knew PERL at Langley Field during the period of April, 1939, to March, 1942. TIFFORD, however, could not recall PERL being contacted by MORTON SOBELL or JULIUS ROSENBERG. During this interview in March, 1942, TIFFORD was very cooperative.

Mr. TIFFORD explained that during the period 1942 to 1945 he had stated on questionnaires that his parents, JOSEPH and SARAH TITEFSKY, of 1575 Theriot Ave., Bronx, N. Y., had been born in the U. S. He said that this was not true, since his father was born in Russia and his mother had been born in Poland. He could not, however, furnish the exact dates of birth or the exact places of birth. TIFFORD advised that he changed his own name legally as of 2-5-38 to TIFFORD at a Special Term, Part 1, of the Supreme Court of the State of N. Y., 12-23-37. He advised that all security forms filled out by him since 1946 have been filled out correctly.

Mr. TIFFORD explained that the reasons for the erroneous reporting were primarily that he did not wish his associates to know that his true name was TITEFSKY, and also because he had an extremely unhappy home life with his parents and was interested in separating himself completely from his family life.

Mr. TIFFORD was asked if either of his parents or any brothers and sisters were involved in any disloyal activities now or at any time, and he advised that, to the best of his knowledge, his parents were not involved in any disloyal activities. He added that the reason that he had separated himself from them was because of the general immoral tone of his home life.

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Mr. TIFFFORD said that he had set out the erroneous birth places of his parents with no malice. He said that he felt that any security officer having noticed it would probably investigate and find out the true reason for the distortion. TIFFFORD said, however, that due to the tense international situation, he was concerned over the possible discovery of these erroneous reportings and felt that it might possibly point the finger of suspicion toward him, particularly since he had graduated from the City College, New York City, New York, at the same time as the atomic energy spies.

Mr. TIFFFORD furnished the following background information concerning himself and his family:

Born: New York City, 12-7-17
Education: CCNY, graduating in 1938
MIT, Cambridge, Mass., graduating in 1939 (While at MIT, he resided at 133 Austin St., Cambridge, Mass.)
Employments: 1939-1942, U. S. Government, Langley Field, Va.
March, 1942, Curtis Wright Aircraft, Buffalo, N. Y.
Sept., 1942, Fedders Manufacturing Co., West Coast Headquarters, Los Angeles, Calif.
Dec., 1942, Northrop Aircraft Corp., Hawthorne, Calif.
Feb., 1942, Douglas Aircraft Corp., Santa Monica, Calif.
June, 1943, Lockheed Aircraft Corp., Burbank, Calif.
April, 1945, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Aviation Gas Turbine Division, S. Philadelphia, Pa.
Dec., 1948, to present, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. TIFFFORD advised that his present position is that of an associate professor, Aeronautical Engineering, Engineering Annex B, Ohio State University. He also explained that he teaches several classes each week to Air Force personnel, military and civilian, at WPAFB, Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. TIFFFORD stated that his father and mother are both living, and that his mother's maiden name was SARAH SORIN. He advised that he has a brother and three sisters still residing in N. Y. C. They are:

ELI TITFESKY, address unknown

LAURA ZUCKER, husband BENJAMIN

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DORIS and BERNICE TITEFSKY, twin sisters,
approximately 21 years of age

The above is being furnished for the Bureau and New York and Cleveland Offices' information, and no further investigation is being conducted in this matter, inasmuch as approximately five years have elapsed since the last false statement was made by TIFFORD on any security questionnaire.

A handwritten statement by TIFFORD concerning his failure to state the true origin of his parents on security documents is being maintained in the files of this office.

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SAC, Cincinnati (65-2743)

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Reurlet 12-10-51 setting forth the results of additional information made available to your office by Arthur W. Tifford who was recently interviewed in connection with the above-captioned subject.

It is desired that your office re-interview Tifford at an early date for the purpose of determining whether he has any information concerning YCL and Steinets Club activities on the OSU campus during the period that he attended that school. It should be ascertained whether he may have attended any of the functions of these organizations and thus is in a position to recall the identity of other members of his class who formerly attended these meetings. Any information he might possess as to the YCL and Steinets Club activities on the part of Perl, Stanley Robert Rich, Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell should be exploited during this interrogation.

For your information a check has been made of Bufiles but no identifiable information of a derogatory nature was located therein concerning Tifford.

In view of Tifford's present position as an assistant professor of aeronautical engineering at Ohio State University in which capacity he is the instructor for several classes of Air Force and military personnel, the substance of Tifford's recent admissions to your office as reflected in referenced letter are being brought to the attention of G-2 and OEL.

cc - New York

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *abc*

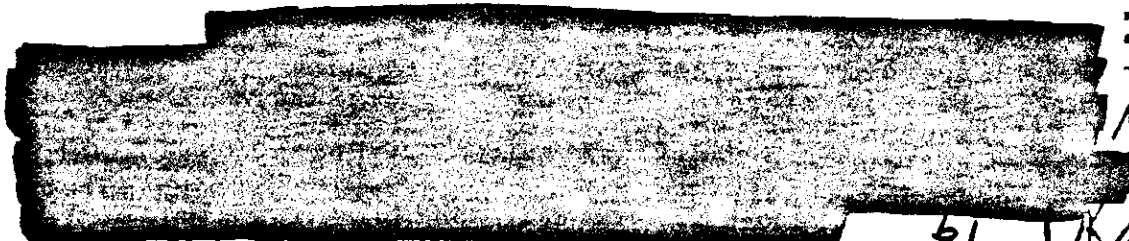
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SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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DATE: November 1, 1951

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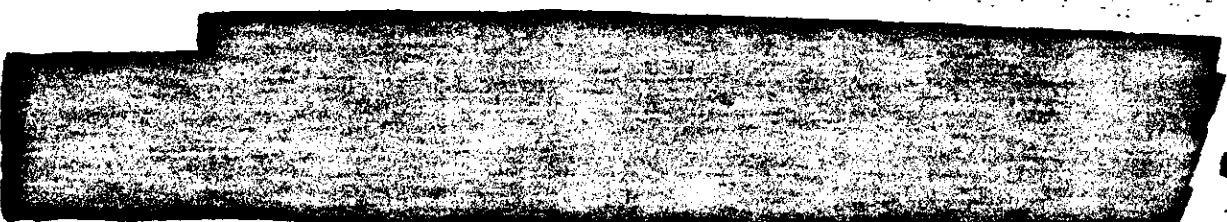
PURPOSE



To indicate that, if copies of the above publications could be obtained and examined, considerable data might be secured reflecting the exact nature of the classified aeronautical information which was being obtained by the Soviets through their espionage setup during the pertinent years. (U)

To recommend that liaison discuss this matter with an appropriate official of Air Force Intelligence to determine the possibility of their obtaining copies of such bulletins through their Air Attache or other representatives in Yugoslavia, it being considered feasible that the Soviets may have made such publications available to high ranking aeronautical technicians and experts in Yugoslavia during the period prior to the break between Yugoslavia and the USSR. (U)

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RECOMMENDATION

In view of the foregoing, it is recommended liaison contact the appropriate official of Air Force Intelligence to determine their knowledge as to the nature of the above-named Soviet aeronautical publications. In the event they have had no previous knowledge thereof, to suggest that Air Force Intelligence make an effort through their Air Attache or other representatives in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, to determine whether copies of such publications were made available to high Yugoslav Air Force officials or technicians prior to the time of Yugoslavia's break with Russia. It is suggested that, if such publications are available in Yugoslavia, an effort be made to obtain copies thereof so that these publications can be examined to determine their possible value in connection with the Bureau's present espionage investigation as to the above-named subject.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *ABM*

FROM : V. F. KEAY *VFK*

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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DATE: November 27, 1951

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Re memorandum dated November 1, 1951, which recommended that Liaison contact the appropriate official of Air Force Intelligence to determine their knowledge as to the nature of Soviet publications entitled, "Instruction for Designers, Volume III" and "Express Information."

This matter was discussed by Special Agent Edward S. Sanders with Lieutenant Colonel L. L. Free, OSI Headquarters, who has advised that there is no information presently available to Air Force Headquarters concerning these two publications, but that efforts will be made by Air Intelligence to obtain copies of the pertinent issues of these two publications.

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be referred to the Espionage Unit for its information.

This matter will be closely followed with Air Force in order to report the results of efforts made to obtain copies of the desired publication.

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- Tele. Room _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Gandy _____

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)
 FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5543)
 SUBJECT: WILLIAM FERL, aka
 ESPIONAGE - R, PERJURY

DATE: December 12, 1951

~~SECURITY INFORMATION - CONFIDENTIAL~~

Re New York letter to Bureau dated October 16, 1951.

It has been determined that MORFIS MELVIN BIRNEAUM, a friend of WILLIAM and SAMUEL FERL, was formerly an employee of the Rural Electrification Administration in Washington, D. C. BIRNEAUM's personnel file reflects the following information:

BIRNEAUM was born February 18, 1922, at New York City and attended Stuyvesant High School, 345 East 15th Street, New York City. He attended City College of New York from 1939 to 1942 and from 1946 to 1949, receiving the Degree of B.E.E. in February, 1949. He listed the following employments:

October, 1942, to April, 1943: Assistant radio technician, Philadelphia Signal Depot, 5000 Wissahickon Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

May, 1943, to December, 1945: United States Army, ASN 13-125-102

February, 1949, to August, 1949: Electronics mechanic, U. S. Coast Guard, St. George, Staten Island, New York, base, under BERNARD HANSEN

December, 1949: As of this date, he was employed by the General Electric Supply Corporation, 585 Hudson Street, New York City, under the immediate supervision of M. A. QUINN, "Section Chief."

He gave his address in December, 1949, as 1414 Second Avenue, New York City, and subsequently listed the following addresses:

1744 P Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

1180 Colorado Boulevard, Denver, Colorado;
 72 City Boulevard, Staten Island, New York

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1946-1949: 72 City Boulevard, Staten Island, New York
1943-1945: 2075 Creston Avenue, Bronx, New York City
1940-1943: 850 East 161st Street, Bronx, New York City

MORRIS MELVIN BIRNBAUM was appointed to the position of electrical engineer, GS-5, in the REA at Washington, D. C., on January 16, 1950. On August 18, 1950, he was granted leave without pay to August 25, 1951, for the purpose of returning to school to study for his Master's Degree in electrical engineering under Public Law 346. On September 27, 1950, the Registrar, University of Kansas City, advised the REA that BIRNBAUM was a student at the University, majoring in electrical engineering.

On July 18, 1951, BIRNBAUM, giving the return address of 1180 Colorado Boulevard, Denver, Colorado, wrote the REA that he was resigning his position since his plans necessitated his attending school for another three years.

In a lease executed in 1950, MORRIS MELVIN BIRNBAUM gave as a relative BENJAMIN BIRNBAUM, 1180 Colorado Boulevard, Denver, Colorado. BIRNBAUM's personnel file also disclosed that from May, 1943, to December, 1943, he was stationed at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.

The Kansas City and Denver Offices are requested to discreetly ascertain the present whereabouts of MORRIS MELVIN BIRNBAUM and advise the office of origin, New York, so that appropriate instructions regarding his interview may be forwarded the office covering his present residence.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

900 Standard Building
Cleveland 13, Ohio

December 11, 1951

Director, FBI

RE: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY
(Bufile 65-59312)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of SA JOHN E. O'DONOGHUE dated January 5, 1951 at Cleveland and to the report of SA JOHN E. O'DONOGHUE dated October 20, 1950 in the case entitled "MICHAEL ALEXANDER SIDOROVICH, was., ESPIONAGE - R" and the Summary Report of SA RICHARD A. MINIHAN in the case entitled, "MICHAEL ALEXANDER SIDOROVICH, was.; ANNE HANUSIAK SIDOROVICH, wa.; WILLIAM PERL, aka, ESPIONAGE - R; PERJURY".

Page 4 of the first report, page 19 of the second and page 50 of the third referenced report indicate that NACA regulations require an employee to sign a register when he enters or leaves the NACA reservation. . .

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Observation and re-inquiry into this procedure has developed that the system is as follows rather than set out in referenced reports:

When an employee enters or leaves the NACA Reservation during the normal time for reporting to or leaving work, he is admitted through the main gate by pass. He then signs a register at the particular building in which he is working. This is again done in the evening. This register is not guarded. However, when an employee comes in late, leaves early, or enters or leaves the reservation at a time other than during regular working hours, then the guard at the gate maintains a record of the employee's entry or departure.

All these records are destroyed within a period of four to six months and leave records as a general rule are maintained from the registers signed by the employee at their building of work.

It is suggested the New York Office may desire to bring this to the attention of the United States Attorney in New York since what appears in referenced summary report is erroneous.

The above information was verified by H. BURTON BRACY, Security Officer, NACA Cleveland.

Very truly yours,

Paul J. Shine
Paul J. Shine
SAC

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)
FROM : SAC, New York
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

DATE: December 13, 1951

ReNYlet to the Bureau, 11/2/51.

Attached for the information of the Los Angeles Office is one copy of the report of SA FRED A. COOTS made 11/28/51 at Norfolk.

In addition to the information requested in relet, it is desired that the Los Angeles Office furnish the NYO with a photograph of ~~HERBERT~~ PASS.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC DEFERRED

WILLIAM PERL, AKA. ESPIONAGE R, PERJURY. RE WFO LETTER TO BUREAU DATED NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE LAST. MAJOR MAIER HAS LOCATED LIST OF MATERIAL REMOVED FROM DR. VON KARMAN'S OFFICE AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY AND BURNED IN NEW YORK TO IGNORE LEAD TO SECURE COPY OF SUCH LIST FROM N. Y. AIR FORCE PROCUREMENT OFFICE.

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Assistant Attorney General
James M. McInerney

December 10, 1951

Director, FBI

MICHAEL ALEXANDER SIDOROVICH, was.;
ANNE HANDSIK SIDOROVICH, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

WILLIAM PERL

There is enclosed herewith one copy of the report of Special Agent John B. O'Donoghue, dated November 19, 1951, at Cleveland in this case. The facts relative to the Sidoroviches have previously been referred to your attention on several occasions for your consideration under the Perjury Statute, specifically the summary report of Special Agent Richard E. Minihan, dated March 10, 1951, related to evidence of perjury against both the Sidoroviches and William Perl. As you know, on March 13, 1951, William Perl was indicted for perjury and his trial has been frequently postponed. We understand that it has now been put off for an indefinite period.

Our investigation of the Sidoroviches has been substantially completed and they have been interviewed on several occasions and definitely appear to be not interested in cooperating with the Government at this time. Therefore, the case against them is in a position where unless Julius and Ethel Rosenberg or William Perl decide to cooperate, no additional evidence can be foreseen at this time. The foregoing is being brought to your attention for your consideration in the light of the existing situation. You are requested to furnish your opinion as to whether any prosecutive action can be had against the Sidoroviches.

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cc - 65-59312 William Perl

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FORM NO. 1
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REPORT MADE AT NEWARK	DATE WHEN MADE 12/14/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/9;12/4/51	REPORT MADE BY JOHN R. LYONS tes
TITLE WILLIAM PERL wa.		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R; PERJURY	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF DATE 3-15-78

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DETAILS:

On 12/4/51, Newark Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that the Bankers National Life Insurance Co., 26 Park St., Montclair, N.J. had issued a blanket policy to members of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics Protective Association, Langley Field, Va. and that WILLIAM MUTTERPERL was issued a \$1000 term policy by their company on 6/19/40. At that time he resided at 197 Melrose Ave., Hampton, Va. and was engaged in scientific research for the U.S. Government with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

The beneficiary on the policy was his mother, SARAH MUTTERPERL, and records indicated that he reported he had suffered from bronchitis in October, 1936 and had been treated by Dr. SCHWARZBRAUN at the Hunts Point Professional Building, Bronx, N.Y.

The records also indicated he formerly had resided at 834 Becks St., Bronx, N.Y. On 7/6/45, a letter was received from PERL at 1516 East 120 St., Cleveland, Ohio, advising that he had changed his name legally to

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: [Signature] WILLIAM PERL IN CHARGE A photostatic copy of this report was also

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received with this letter. On 7/14/45, he addressed a letter to the company requesting that he pay direct as he was in Cleveland working for NACA, having been transferred from Langley Field, Va. He was refused this permission and had to pay through the NACA Protective Association.

On 12/9/50, a letter was received from him from Post Office Box 55, Pupin Laboratories, Columbia University, stating that the NACA Protective Association would no longer collect the policy and he desired to pay direct. This was granted.

On 11/12/51, a letter was received by the company requesting a beneficiary change from SARAH MUTTERPERL to HENRIETTA SAVIDGE PERL. The company wrote back and asked him to send the policy and to complete the beneficiary change form. They have not as yet received this from PERL.

Newark T-1 advised that the policy is a form of term insurance, has no cash value, and in 1940 MUTTERPERL claimed he had no other insurance.

It should also be noted that letters to the Bankers National Life Insurance Co., 26 Park St. are handwritten, presumably in the handwriting of PERL.

Newark T-1 stated it would be practically impossible to place any stop because if the policy lapses, it loses any value it has and the policy has no cash surrender or loan value.

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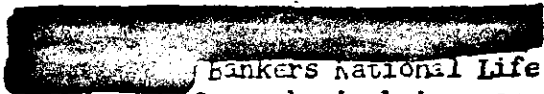
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Informant

Newark T-1



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Bankers National Life Insurance Co., who is being carried as a confidential informant at his request.

REFERENCE: New York letter to Bureau dated 11/8/51.

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			Actual	Released	
613	12/28/51	WFO REPORT TO NA	25	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
614	12/28/51	WFO LETTER TO NA	1	1	
615	1/4/52	NY LETTER TO NA	3	3	
616	2/3/52	NA LETTER TO NIACA	1	1	
617	2/6/52	7 PHOTOS of LATENT w/NEGATIVES PRINTS	5	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
617	-	LIST OF REPORTS	14	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
617	12/2/51	WFO LETTER TO NA	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
617	1/4/52	NA LETTER TO NY	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
618	1/7/52	NA LETTER TO DEPT. of ARMY	2	2	
619	1/4/52	NA TELETYPE TO NY	1	1	
620	1/11/52	PH REPORT TO NA w/2 COPIES OF COVER PG	3/2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
621	-	Information from another Gov't Agency	10	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY

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621	11/28/51	TREASURY DEPT. LETTER TO AG	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
621	12/12/51	HA LETTER TO NY	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
622	12/21/51	NY TELETYPE TO HQ -	1	1	
623	1/29/52	HA LETTER TO NY + ENCLOSURE	3	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
624	1/5/52	NY TELETYPE TO HQ	1	1	
625	1/10/52	LA REPORTS TO HA w/ COPY OF COVER PG	8/1	8/1	
626	1/21/52	CU LETTER TO HA	1	1	dup 1
627	1/4/52	HA LETTER TO WFO	1	1	
627	12/12/51	LA LETTER TO HQ	4	4	
628	1/22/52	KX LETTER TO HA w/SEARCH SLIP	1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
628	2/11/52	HA LETTER TO KX	1	1	
629	1/9/52	NY LETTER TO HA	1	1	

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629	1/22/52	X/A LETTER TO NY	1	1	
630	1/7/52	X/A LETTER & LHM TO ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION	9	0	
631	1/22/52	X/A LETTER TO PAB	1	1	
632	1/7/52	X/A LETTER & LHM TO NACA	9	0	
633	1/7/52	X/A LETTER & LHM TO DEPT. OF ARMY	9	0	
NOT RECORDED	1/7/52	X/A LETTER TO CIA	1	1	
634	1/15/52	X/A LETTER TO NACA	1	1	
635	12/5/51	X/A LETTER TO NACA	1	1	
636	1/11/52	FBI LAB REPORT TO WFO	2	2	
NOT RECORDED	1/9/52	LA LETTER TO X/A Copies: 3rd party	3	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
637	1/17/52	X/A LETTER TO DEPT. OF ARMY	1	1	
638	1/17/52	X/A LETTER TO ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION	1	1	

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639	1/17/52	NA LETTER TO CIA	1	1	
640	1/30/52	CV LETTER TO NA	1	1	
640	2/6/52	NA LETTER TO WFO	1	1	
641	12/1/51	NA TELETYPE TO NY	1	1	
642	1/29/52	NY LETTER TO NA	7	7	
643	1/7/52	NA LETTER & LHM TO NY	9	0	
NOT RECORDED	1/10/52	LADD memo TO DIRECTOR Capt: 3rd party	2	2	
NOT RECORDED	2/6/52	NY TELETYPE TO HQ	1	1	
NOT RECORDED	1/14/52	HQ LETTER TO NY Capt: 3rd party	1	1	
644	1/24/52	NA LETTER TO DEPT. of Air Force	2	1	
645	1/18/52	NA LETTER TO CV	3	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY.
646	1/29/52	DN LETTER TO NA w/ COPY OF SEARCH SLIP	1	1	

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646	2/15/52	NA LETTER TO KE	2	2	
647	1/24/52	Internal memo	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
647	1/24/52	NA LETTER TO DEPT of the Navy	2	1	
NOT RECORDED	1/21/52	CU LETTER TO NA	2	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY
648	2/5/52	CU LETTER TO NA	2	2	
649	1/9/52	NY REPORT TO NA Copy of cover page	139 1	0	REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOV. AGENCY

Serial Number	Date of Serial	DELETION (S)
630	1/7/52	Entire serial, consisting of nine pages, has been classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 on 2/28/78 and it bears the Classification Officer's Number 4913.
632	1/7/52	Same as above.
633	1/7/52	Same as above.
643	1/7/52	Same as above.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: December 28, 1951

WFO
FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5543)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.,
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Re Los Angeles letter to Bureau dated December 12, 1951.

ANDREW G. HALEY, Attorney, 1101 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C., and Miss ETHNA WHITE, his Secretary, advised that Mr. HALEY had issued only six checks under his power of attorney for VON KAPLAN, none of which were payable to WILLIAM PERL.

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CC - NEW YORK (65-15387)
CC - LOS ANGELES (65-5075)

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)
 Attention: FBI Laboratory
 FROM : SAC, New York (65-15387)
 SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa;
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DATE: 1/4/52

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ReWFOlet to Bureau, Attention FBI Laboratory, dated 11/30/51 with attachment in the form of a memorandum describing 336 enclosed items which were NACA reports and other material removed from the office of Dr. THEODORE VON KARMAN at Columbia University in June 1951. The Laboratory was requested in the above letter to conduct certain examinations on the above enclosures. In this regard the Laboratory's attention is also invited to WIGlet to the Bureau dated 8/2/51 which sets forth the background and basis of the desired examinations.

b7D The above NYOlet dated 8/2/51 sets forth in part information obtained from [redacted] concerning a photographing incident which occurred over a holiday weekend. Information presently at hand would indicate the most probable date of this incident as 7/4/48, inasmuch as PERL receipted for twenty-four documents at Columbia University on 7/3/48. These documents have been listed previously on pages 32-36 of the rep of SA JOHN P. BUSCHER, 9/21/50, at Washington, D. C.

Report of SA MACE H. SCOVELL, 12/28/51, at Washington, D. C. which lists the 336 items as previously forwarded to the Laboratory by WFOlet, 11/30/51. Review of this report and the report of SA BUSCHER above reveals that the twenty-four documents listed in the latter report as receipted for by PERL on 7/3/48 have been given the following item numbers in SA SCOVELL's report:

Nos. 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 48, 49, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 164, 165, 176, 177 and 178.

It is noted that item No. 45 is described in SA SCOVELL's report as "NACA RM No. E8A29 Copy #73 dated June 8, 1948," while this item is described in SA BUSCHER's report as "73- RME B A 29." It appears that the "B" in the latter designation is a typographical error and should have appeared as an 8.

cc: Washington Field (65-5543)

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It is also noted that item No. 49 has been listed above herein as one of the twenty-four documents receipted for by PERL on 7/3/48, although the report of SA BUSCHER lists no "Identification Number of Document" for the last item listed on page 33 of that report. It is believed, however, these two items are identical since they are both "copy number" 84 and a review of the other remaining items listed in SA SCOVELL's report reveal there is no other "copy number" 84.

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In the event the previously requested Laboratory examinations have not yet been completed, it is requested that particular attention be given the items listed herein as #41, 42, ... through 178. This request is made since evidence presently at hand in the form of the possible testimony of [REDACTED] refers exclusively to those reports which were photographed over the July 4th weekend.

With further reference to these twenty-four reports, the Laboratory is requested to determine the aggregate number of pages contained in these reports and to estimate the amount of time it would take four skilled or semi-skilled photographers working continuously to make document copies of each of the papers in these reports, using two Leica cameras. The basis of this inquiry is the information from [REDACTED] that the photographing consumed seventeen continuous hours over the holiday weekend and that PERL immediately returned the reports to the Columbia file. It is suggested that in the event the twenty-four documents in question could be photographed under the above circumstances in considerably less time than seventeen hours, then particular attention should be given in addition to those reports listed in SA BUSCHER's report as having been receipted for by PERL during April and May 1948, prior to his departure from Columbia to work at Cleveland. It is noted PERL receipted for sixteen reports during May 1948 and for thirteen reports during April 1948. b7D

The Bureau's attention is directed to previous considerations that the photographing incident may have occurred over the July 4, 1948 weekend. A review of the dates of the reports listed in SA SCOVELL's report as having been removed from VON KARMAN's office at Columbia University reveals that none are dated subsequent to September 1948.

In this regard, attention is also directed to Bulet to NY dated 10/27/51 which enclosed lists of reports forwarded to VON KARMAN between 9/1/48 and 7/28/49 as reflected in NACA, Washington, D. C. files.

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According to Exhibits A and C of NACA letter to the Director dated 10/4/51 (attached to above Bulet dated 10/27/51) delivery of all NACA reports subsequent to 9/23/48 was made to VON KARMAN either at the California Institute of Technology or at the Scientific Advisory Board, Washington, D. C. Since PERL's access to these reports at either of these locations is not readily apparent, it does not appear that the alleged photographing incident could have concerned documents mailed prior to July 4, 1949 and for this reason the photographing incident mentioned by the informant apparently would not have occurred on 7/4/49 weekend. To substantiate this theory, it is recalled that there is no information that PERL was in New York on 7/4/49. In view thereof, for the present at least, no further consideration is being given to the photographing incident as occurring on 7/4/49.

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BY SPECIAL DELIVERY

Date: January 3, 1952

To: Director
 National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics
 1724 F Street, N. W.
 Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Ball
 Security Officer

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director
 Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka., William Mutterper
 ESPIONAGE - R
 PERJURY

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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In accordance with your request, I am transmitting herewith, for your confidential information, one copy of each of the following reports which have been submitted in this case covering the inquiries made of various officials and employees of your Committee as well as the check of your records concerning William Perl who was formerly in the employ of your Cleveland Laboratory:

- Report of Special Agent John B. O'Donoghue dated at Cleveland, Ohio, August 9, 1950.
- Report of Special Agent John F. Buscher dated at Washington, D. C., September 21, 1950.
- Report of Special Agent John B. O'Donoghue dated at Cleveland, Ohio, March 27, 1951.
- Report of Special Agent Robert L. Seltzer dated at Washington, D. C., April 4, 1951.
- Report of Special Agent Robert L. Seltzer dated at Washington, D. C., April 18, 1951.
- Report of Special Agent John B. O'Donoghue dated at Cleveland, Ohio, May 17, 1951.
- Report of Special Agent Robert L. Seltzer dated at Washington, D. C., May 22, 1951.
- Report of Special Agent Robert L. Seltzer dated at Washington, D. C., August 2, 1951.

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Date: January 7, 1952
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.
Attention: Chief, Security Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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DATE *1/15/52*

In connection with the above-captioned matter this Bureau interviewed Arthur H. Tifford, who was a former classmate of Perl at the College of the City of New York and is known to have worked with Perl at Langley Field Laboratory of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. During the course of this interview Tifford appeared very cooperative and admitted his acquaintanceship and association with Perl at Langley Field during the period April, 1939, to March, 1942. He had indicated that he was unable to recall any information indicating that during that period Perl was in contact with Julius Rosenberg or Morton Sobell, convicted Soviet espionage agents.

Recently Mr. Tifford voluntarily appeared at the Federal Bureau of Investigation office in Cincinnati, at which time he stated he desired to clear up several false statements he had made on an employment questionnaire between 1942 and 1945. According to Tifford, during this period he had indicated on his employment questionnaire that his parents, Joseph and Sarah Vitafsky of 175 Harriot Avenue, Bronx, New York, had been born in the United States. Mr. Tifford stated this was not true, since his father was born in Russia and his mother in Poland. He was, however, unable to furnish the exact dates and places of birth of his parents.

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According to Tifford, he legally changed his name to Tifford on February 5, 1938, at a Special Term of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. He advised that all of the security employment forms by him since 1946 have contained accurate information concerning his parents.

According to Tifford, the reason for his erroneous reporting of his parents' birthplaces was that he did not wish his associates to know that his true name was Titefsky and that he had had an extremely unhappy home life with his parents and was interested in separating himself completely from his family life.

Tifford, at the time of this interview, stated that neither of his parents nor any members of his family were involved in any disloyal activities and that the reason he wished to separate himself from his family was because of the general immoral tone of his home life.

Tifford added that he did not set forth the erroneous birthplaces of his parents out of malice but actually felt that any security officer having noticed the information would probably conduct an investigation and find out the true reason for this false information. He mentioned that due to the present tense international situation he was concerned over the possible discovery of these erroneous reportings and felt that it might possibly point the finger of suspicion toward him, particularly since he had graduated from the College of the City of New York at the same time as the previously-mentioned atomic energy spies.

This is being furnished for your confidential information in view of the fact that Tifford is an associate professor in the Aeronautical Engineering Department at Ohio State University and lectures to a number of classes comprised of Air Force and military personnel at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

cc: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

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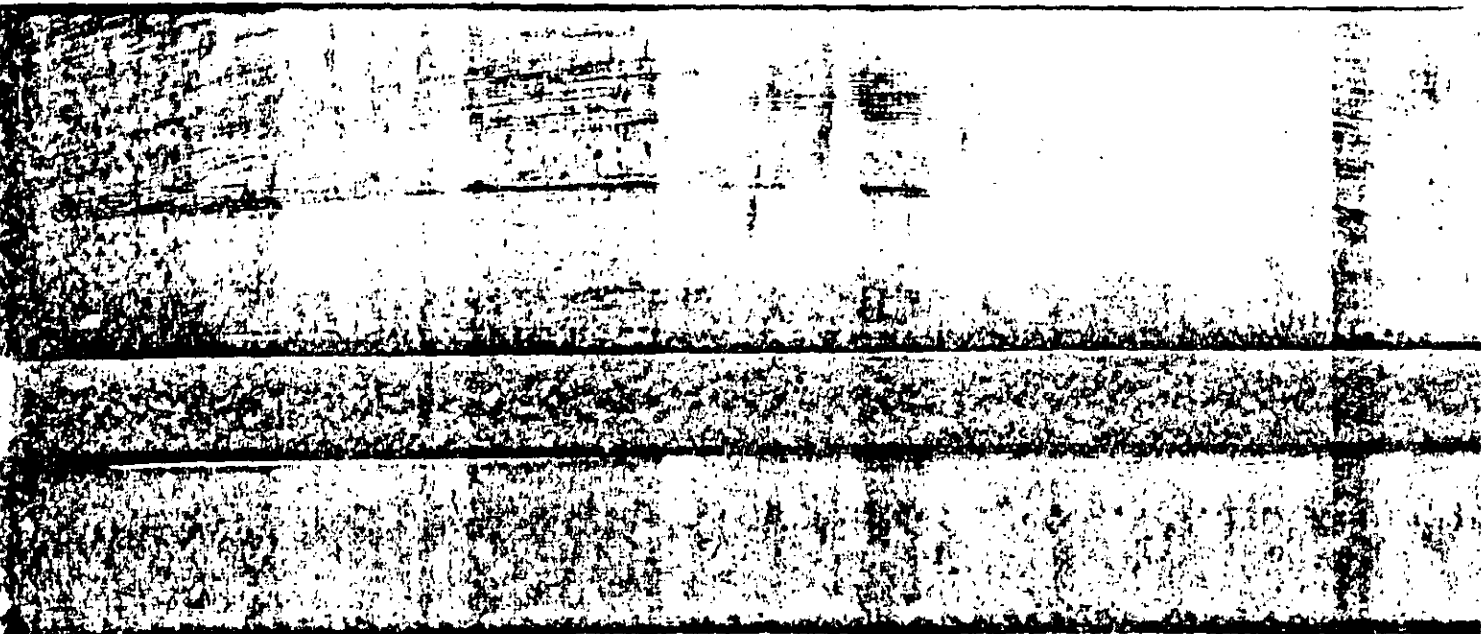
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DETAILS:

On November 27, 1951 HERBERT RALPH PASS (home address 6773 South Westward Beach Road, Malibu, California) was re-interviewed by Special Agent HOWARD H. DAVIS and the writer at the Security Office, United States Naval Air Missile Test Center (hereinafter referred to as NAMTC), Point Mugu, California, at which time he furnished substantially the following information.

He first met WILLIAM PERL at National Advisory Committee of Aeronautics Laboratory (hereinafter referred to as NACA), at Langley Field, Virginia, during either 1939 or 1940, where they both were employed. He believes that their first acquaintance arose when both worked in the Full Scale Tunnel. He may have known him at NACA prior to their association in the Full Scale Tunnel, but if so it would have been only casual. He, himself, had started at NACA on September 29, 1938. He was either transferred to the Full Scale Tunnel or first started work there on coming to NACA, and they met during the course of their employment. As to his social acquaintance with PERL, mentioned during his previous interview, PASS stated that they used to play handball together, along with fellow employees ARTHUR KANTROWITZ, ROBERT SWANSON, SIDNEY HARMON, and MILTON KLEIN. PASS explained that KANTROWITZ is now located at Cornell University; SWANSON is at Point Mugu; HARMON is at NACA, at Cleveland, Ohio; and KLEIN is with NACA, either in Cleveland or Langley Field, Virginia.

It is PASS' opinion that KLEIN either went to school with PERL or lived in his same neighborhood. KLEIN came to NACA quite a bit later, probably 1941. He believes that PERL met the other social acquaintances above-mentioned during their employment together at NACA.

PASS also recalls two or three camping trips made to the nearby Blue Ridge Mountains in Virginia. He specifically recalls one trip on which PERL was along, as well as ROBERT SWANSON, mentioned above, and JACK WIELSON (now at Ames Aeronautical Laboratory of NACA, at Moffett Field, California). PASS believes that he may have made two or three trips. He also recalls having made camping trips several times where a couple of carloads participated, but he can't recall whether or not PERL was along.

PERL had bought a record player, was interested in recorded music, and was somewhat of a record collector. Although PASS visited PERL's room and listened to records with PERL, he

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has no recollection of any groups or parties on such occasions. PASS recalls that PERL bought some RCA records from one DORIS COHEN (whose married name later became JONES), who was a Langley Field employee and who had purchased the records for PERL through some contact of hers. She may have visited him during this transaction, but PASS cannot recall any specific instances. She had no connection with PERL to his knowledge, except that both did some work on "sweptback wings."

Other acquaintances of PERL at Langley Field were, of course, SAM KATZOFF, immediate superior of both PERL and PASS. PERL thought highly of him, but PASS is unable to say to his knowledge whether or not they were close acquaintances.

ABE SILVERSTEIN (now at NACA, Cleveland) was the next highest superior of PERL, but to PASS' knowledge their relationship was mostly of an official character.

PASS again stated, as in the previous interview, that PERL was an unsociable individual, quiet, primarily interested in constant study in his field, and consequently didn't get along too well with other people.

Another acquaintance of PERL, recalled by PASS, is CHARLES ZALENKO, although it is believed there was no close relationship between them. ZALENKO was also then at NACA, Cleveland.

As to the Russian Linguaphone course that PERL and PASS jointly subscribed to while at Langley Field, PASS offered the following explanation. He stated that they took the course to help them study original Russian documents reaching NACA. Although the course was given through the medium of records and was primarily intended to teach the speaking of the language, PASS felt that it nevertheless helped in learning the alphabet and grammar. At that time NACA received Russian "C.A.H.I." reports from the Central Aero and Hydrodynamic Institute. These reports corresponded with their NACA reports. Although NACA then had a number of translations of these technical papers, they were, in his opinion, generally poor technically. The translations were poor and were literal instead of technical; also, there existed a basic Russian reference on Supersonic and Fluid Flows written in Russian in 1901. PASS contended that the interpretation of these Russian papers was his only purpose in studying the course and was the basis on which he and PERL discussed getting the course. PASS added, however, that their

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efforts to learn the language were not too successful, and after about three months they gave up and lost interest in the matter.

PASS recalled further that in about 1940-41 he had sold a "light pink" 1930 LaSalle convertible coupe to PERL. A year or so later, PERL traded this car in New York City on a Studebaker.

As to his contacts with PERL subsequent to their association at Langley Field, PASS furnished the following information. He, himself, left Langley Field about January, 1943. He believes that PERL went to NACA, Cleveland, subsequent to his own departure. PASS stated that correspondence between them has averaged approximately a "couple of times a year" and that this correspondence was of a personal nature, along with a general indication of the work they were doing. PASS stated that he visited PERL in Cleveland, Ohio, near the end of 1944 while he was there on official business for the Northrop Aircraft, Incorporated, Hawthorne, California, having first made a stop at NACA, at Langley Field. He recalls visiting PERL and his wife in their small apartment in Cleveland, but does not believe he stayed there overnight. He did not again see PERL until the latter came to the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California (January to June, 1946). PASS stated he probably saw PERL not over a half a dozen times while the latter was at California Institute of Technology. He met him at the airport on his first arrival in Los Angeles. Thereafter he visited PERL's residence and took PERL and his wife on several nearby trips, including Palos Verdes and Point Dume, along the Coast. He may have also taken them to the nearby mountains and to the Pasadena Playhouse. PASS again remarked that it was extremely difficult to get PERL to drop his work for such social activity, and apparently consented merely to accommodate his wife. Regarding his studies at California Institute of Technology, PASS recalls that PERL was critical of the faculty there as being interested more in their own individual research than in teaching students, and particularly mentioned Dr. FRITZ ZWICKY, Professor of Astrophysics, in this regard. PASS stated that, when PERL left Pasadena for New York, his wife remained here, and after several months she also returned East. PASS added that he did not correspond with PERL from the time he left Pasadena until September, 1949. After PERL's departure, PASS did correspond with PERL's wife, who had remained in Pasadena, as noted above.

PASS next visited PERL at his apartment in New York City in September, 1949, when PASS returned East on official

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business on behalf of the NAMTC, at Point Mugu, California. He first had gone to Washington, D. C., and then visited the Grumman Aircraft Company in Long Island, New York. He believes that he visited PERL on this one occasion in the evening after his own duties at Grumman, and that he was not an overnight guest.

In November, 1950, he again saw PERL at his apartment in New York City, having again returned East on official Navy business at Grumman Aircraft. He recalls this visit as being in the evening after his own working hours and that it was of two or three hours' duration. He recalls, too, that they spoke of PERL's recent difficulties and arrest.

PASS again visited PERL in New York City in July, 1951 (probably July 17, 1951) while in New York for three days on official business. He first telephoned PERL and then walked over to his apartment, being within easy walking distance from the Pennsylvania Railroad Station. This contact was again in the evening, and was probably of two or three hours' duration. PASS wanted to talk about the impending trial, but PERL tried to avoid the subject. PASS stated that PERL and his wife acted as if the place were "wire-tapped," and that they were "scared." PERL indicated to PASS that it might have been better if PASS had not come up to the apartment, as it might be under observation by the authorities. PERL told him, however, that he was being charged with perjury in denying knowing certain people. PERL advised that his lawyer felt confident of the final outcome of the trial and had remarked that, except for the general current hysteria, he couldn't have been brought up for trial. PERL explained that his lawyer thought that he would be found "not guilty." His lawyer, too, was going to protest the repeated postponements of the trial requested by the Government, and would seek an early trial in the matter.

At the time of this visit, PERL was no longer on the staff at Columbia University, but continued conducting his research work there. He had been promised reinstatement, according to PERL, if the trial ended satisfactorily.

PASS volunteered the information that PERL's morale at that time appeared to be much higher than on the occasion of his visit the previous summer shortly after PERL's arrest.

During the course of this interview, PASS again indicated that he considered himself as a close personal friend of

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PERL, and that his faith in him was apparently unshaken. He specifically remarked that he can't imagine PERL's perjuring himself on any major issue.

PASS explained that, shortly after PERL's arrest, he received a letter from SID SHAMER, former associate of PERL at NACA, Cleveland, requesting contributions toward a bail fund then being raised for PERL. SHAMER wrote that friends there were trying to raise the required bail. PASS stated that SHAMER is no longer connected with NACA; that he now owns and operates a factory in Long Island City, New York. PASS advised that he contributed \$100.00 toward this bail fund, and that he thereafter received a letter either from PERL or his wife, thanking him for the contribution. PASS stated that he may possibly have written an answer to the above letter, but cannot recall.

PASS indicated further that he probably would apprise PERL of this interview, adding that they had agreed for him to tell the facts as they actually were in the event he was questioned by Federal authorities.

EDWARD F. BURKE, Chief of Plant Protection, Northrop Aircraft, Incorporated, Hawthorne, California, caused a search to be made of the expense vouchers submitted by HERBERT PASS while employed there relating to the previously-mentioned official business trips made by PASS during 1944-45. The records reflected the following information:

PASS departed for Langley Field, Virginia, on November, 28, 1944, via Trans-World Airlines and Pennsylvania Central Airlines, for the purpose of engaging in Wind Tunnel Tests at Langley Field, Virginia, on the XB-35, Contract W-535-AC-21920. He returned to Los Angeles during the week ending December 3, 1944 (exact date not listed), having left Kansas City on December 3, 1944, via Santa Fe Railroad. During the week ending December 30, 1944 (exact date not given), PASS again went to Langley Field, Virginia, via Trans-World Airlines and Pennsylvania Central Airlines, to engage in Wind Tunnel Tests on the "1/7 Scale-Half Span, XB-35." According to information submitted by PASS, he lodged there with EUGENE KATZ, Apartment 5113, at 2105 Kecoughtan Road, Hampton, Virginia, up to and including the week ending January 13, 1945. During the preceding week, ending January 7, 1945, he had sent a telegram to Dr. W. R. SEARS, Hawthorne, California (his superior at Northrop Aircraft). PASS continued his work at Langley Field until February 9, 1945, being engaged on "Tests of Semi-Span Model in 19'-Pressure Tunnel" during

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which time he lodged with G. G. HAYTEN, 26 Sunset Road, Hampton, Virginia. PASS noted that he had been in New York City on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, during the week ending January 20, 1945. On February 9, 1945, PASS proceeded to Cleveland, Ohio, via Pennsylvania Central Airlines, residing at the Hotel Statler during February 9, 1945 and February 10, 1945. On February 12, 1945 he departed for Los Angeles, via United Airlines.

BURKE also advised that his records reflected that HERBERT PASS, giving his address as Post Office Box 22, Solromar, California, had on March 16, 1951 been given as a personal reference by one HARRY GREENBERG on an application for employment. BURKE added that GREENBERG was not hired by the company, inasmuch as he had ascertained that GREENBERG had been discharged recently from Amos Aeronautical Laboratory of the NACA, Moffett Field, California, in the interest of national security. He had been employed there from September, 1948 to December, 1950. No other details were available.

WALTER J. CERNY, Director of Engineering, Northrop Aircraft, Incorporated, Hawthorne, California, advised that PASS made the above-mentioned trips in an official capacity for the company. PASS had joined the company, having come from NACA as an expert in Wind Tunnel matters, and was a leadman in Wind Tunnel Testing at Northrop. It was, therefore, logical for him to be selected and recommended by his supervisor, S. A. KRIEGER. The tests were being made by NACA on behalf of the United States Air Force. They concerned the XB-35 bomber (now outdated), but the project then was classified as "confidential." PASS acted as an official observer for the company in collecting data for company engineers.

Under pretext, CERNY also ascertained from KRIEGER, still with the company, that PASS also had to make an official trip to NACA, at Cleveland, Ohio, at that time. NACA had Engine Testing experts at Cleveland who were not available at Langley Field, and an engine part problem had to be solved.

CERNY also stated that PASS was accompanied on these trips by two former Northrop mechanics. One was HAROLD WALTER TURNQUIST, who terminated on April 4, 1947. He is reported as now employed in a wood cabinet shop in this area. His last known address was 1843 10th Street, Santa Monica, California. The other accompanying employee was one ZAZZ, now deceased.

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No leads are being set out in this report, this matter being left to the discretion of the New York Office.

REFERENCE: New York letter to the Bureau, dated November 2, 1951.

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC Cleveland (65-2730)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, Aka.
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DATE: January 21, 1952

Re FBI Laboratory report dated 11/29/51.

JULIA E. GREEN, Payroll Clerk, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Cleveland, has advised that prior to 1945 all leave cards (Form C-8) were executed by the individual employee and took the place of the present form (OC-318). From these forms absences were recorded on another form (GPO 16-19186-1) for administrative purposes. However, due to a shortage of personnel in the Leave Records Section at that time, little or no check was made of an employee's absences by that section and responsibility for the proper tabulation was fixed upon the employee's supervisor (in this case ABE SILVERSTEIN, and it will be noted that on the 1944 leave card SILVERSTEIN's entries were made by another person, evidenced by the double set of initials). As a result of this system, it is Miss GREEN's opinion, errors were common and corrections were frequent. She was unable to otherwise account for the corrections on PERL's 1944 leave card although she acknowledged the initials in the column headed "Record" as hers.

It is requested that the New York Office secure the opinion of the United States Attorney to ascertain if he has any objection to the laboratory making further examination of this card as suggested in its report; since the figures "7-44" are distinguishable it is felt further examination is warranted in the hope that the date "7-28-44" may have been eradicated from this card.

It is noted that PERL's letter requesting additional leave to compensate for 28 days taken, whereas only 22 were recorded, indicates he had a personal record of leave taken and had failed to indicate all of his absences on Form C-8.

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SAC, Washington Field (65-5543)

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Director, FBI (65-59312)-607

WILLIAM PERL, aka.
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Re LAlet of 12-12-51 setting forth the results of an interview with Mrs. Marie Roddenberry, private secretary to Dr. Theodore Von Karman.

It will be noted that Mrs. Roddenberry advised that Lieutenant Colonel Teddy Walkowicz, Assistant to the Military Director of the Scientific Advisory Board, assisted Perl in preparing certain material for the use of Dr. Von Karman at the time he presented his paper before the Royal Aeronautical Society in London in September, 1947. Further, that Walkowicz allegedly knew Perl better than he apparently cared to admit in view of which fact she suggested an interview with Walkowicz might be advisable.

A check has been made of Bufiles concerning Teddy Walkowicz but no identifiable information of a subversive nature was located therein.

Your office is accordingly authorized to conduct an immediate interview with Walkowicz, unless information appears in your files making such an interview inadvisable at the present time. Your interview should be for the purpose of determining Walkowicz' full knowledge as to the activities and associates of Perl. He should be interrogated as to the exact period of time when he worked with Perl on this paper, the nature of any classified documents which it was necessary for them to review in the preparation thereof, and whether his suspicions may have been aroused at any time by reason of the unusual interest which Perl may have exhibited with reference to any classified material. It should be determined whether he recalls any incident whereby he knows that Perl may have taken home any of these classified documents purportedly to review them in connection with the preparation of the paper.

As indicated in referenced letter, you should under no circumstances acquaint Walkowicz with the fact that his interview was suggested by Mrs. Roddenberry.

cc - New York (65-15387) 4 32 BH 25

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)
FROM : SAC, Los Angeles (65-5075)

DATE: December 12, 1951

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL aka
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ReBulet dated November 21, 1951, requesting the interviews of Dr. MORTON ALPERIN and Mrs. MARIE RODDENBERRY concerning various confidential aeronautical documents previously maintained in Dr. THEODORE VON KARMAN's office at the Pupin Physics Laboratory at Columbia University, and also records concerning WILLIAM PERL's employment with Dr. VON KARMAN.

Dr. MORTON ALPERIN, head, Western Regional Office, U. S. Air Force, Air Research and Development Command, Vista Del Arroyo, Pasadena, California, has advised that he is unable to positively identify any documents in his custody as having come from Dr. VON KARMAN's office in New York City. He personally had no detailed knowledge of the arrival of any material from VON KARMAN's Columbia University office after its removal from there in June, 1951. This material would have been actually received and handled by Mrs. UNICE SIRKO, VON KARMAN's former secretary at VON KARMAN's own office, then maintained at his residence at 1501 South Marengo Avenue, Pasadena, California. However, Mrs. SIRKO is now employed by the Federal Government in an overseas assignment, believed to be in Africa. Since that time too, VON KARMAN's confidential papers have been transferred from his own former Pasadena office to ALPERIN's present office where VON KARMAN currently maintains a desk and space. ALPERIN stated that he has no knowledge either of any accompanying cover letter sent by Major MAIER itemizing the material sent by him from Columbia. In the absence of such a letter, therefore, he could not identify or segregate any material as having been sent from there.

Mrs. MARIE RODDENBERRY, who is now VON KARMAN's personal and private secretary, was recently interviewed at VON KARMAN's residence, 1501 South Marengo Avenue, Pasadena, California, concerning the matter of financial records reflecting income which PERL may have derived from his previous employment with VON KARMAN. She advised that to her knowledge, VON KARMAN's personal papers do not contain any records indicating direct financial payments to WILLIAM PERL. It was her belief that payments to PERL were

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handled through Sverdrup & Parcel Company, who had a contract for VON KARMAN's consulting services. However, her records are currently in a disorganized state as a result of successive secretaries handling his records. She believed though that the financial records consisted only of cancelled checks, which she made available to SA JOHN P. ANDREWS.

VON KARMAN's previously furnished letter of authorization directed to Mrs. RODDENBERRY was duly surrendered to her. An examination of all cancelled checks from January 1, 1944 to date failed to reflect any payments made to PERL. However, Mrs. RODDENBERRY pointed out that a bank account maintained by VON KARMAN at the Munsey Trust Company, Washington, D. C., failed to reflect any bank statements or cancelled checks for the period, December 30, 1946 to February 26, 1948. During this period of time, ANDREW G. HALEY, member of the law firm of HALEY, McKENNA, and WILKINSON, Washington, D. C. (and former President of the Aerojet Engineering Company, Azusa, California, originally founded by VON KARMAN), had a power of attorney for signing checks on VON KARMAN's behalf. It is Mrs. RODDENBERRY's belief that cancelled checks for this period may still be in HALEY's possession, and suggested that an inquiry there might be desirable.

Mrs. RODDENBERRY added also that currently and for some time past, Mr. ED BEEHAN, Secretary, Aerojet Engineering Company, above, has also had a power of attorney to sign checks on VON KARMAN's behalf. However, he handled only personal household expenses. Mrs. RODDENBERRY contacted BEEHAN, who advised her that his records contain no information as to any payments made by VON KARMAN to PERL. Mrs. RODDENBERRY also made available a file of 32 pieces of personal correspondence between WILLIAM PERL and VON KARMAN. This file is being photostated by this office, and copies will be furnished to the New York Office at an early date. In the event photographic copies of this material are needed by New York for any reason, this file can again be obtained from Mrs. RODDENBERRY.

Mrs. RODDENBERRY also made available a communication, dated October 3, 1947, addressed to VON KARMAN, then in Paris, from his former secretary, LILLIAN FRICKER. One item therein pertaining to PERL which might indicate a direct payment by VON KARMAN was as follows:

*3) as for BILL: About the middle of the summer he changed his mind about the arrangements made earlier for paying his salary so that he has now been forwarding

time sheets for work done on the wind tunnel directly to S & P, after having them approved by Professor GILSRUD, and has been paid by them. You had arranged before you left for him to bill Chemical Construction directly, which he did, and he says there is nothing else that is still due him from you. You had cleared it up with a check through July 1."

Concerning the matter of confidential documents forwarded to Pasadena in June, 1951 from VON KARMAN's Columbia University office, Mrs. RODDENBERRY stated that she is personally not aware of what had been actually sent. However, in a recent telephone conversation with Major M. P. MAIER, Administrative Assistant, Scientific Advisory Board, Office of Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force, Pentagon Building, Washington, D. C. after this matter was brought to her attention, she was informed by MAIER that only a few personal papers of VON KARMAN's were inserted in an envelope by him in New York and forwarded without any cover letter, and that no other documents were sent here. MAIER also indicated to her that certain documents were destroyed by him in New York City, but unfortunately no list of these destroyed items, including NACA reports, was made by him.

In an effort to cooperate and assist in determining possible documents that may have been available to PERL in New York City and which may have later been sent to Pasadena, Mrs. RODDENBERRY suggested that known documents retrieved by MAIER from VON KARMAN's Columbia University office, and either destroyed by him or in MAIER's possession in Washington, be checked against known NACA documents addressed to VON KARMAN at Columbia as reflected from NACA receipts for same. (It is to be noted that the above-mentioned receipts are reflected in the report of SA JOHN P. BUSCHER, Washington, D. C., dated September 21, 1950)

In conjunction with this, Mrs. RODDENBERRY further advised that a check be made of VON KARMAN's 201 file in the Pentagon Building concerning correspondence reflecting requests for, receipt of or transmittal of various documents, and which are known by her to be contained therein. A search could then be made locally at Dr. ALPERIN's office of documents still unaccounted for which were available to PERL.

(It is here noted that Mrs. RODDENBERRY until very recently has been employed as Administrative Assistant to the Scientific Advisory Board, and handled VON KARMAN's correspondence there.)

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Mrs. RODDENBERRY also volunteered the information as is already known that WILLIAM PERL collected material for a paper entitled, "Theoretical Consideration on Stability and Control at High Speeds", which was presented by Dr. VON KARMAN before the Royal Aeronautical Society in London in early September, 1947. In the preparation of this material, however, she explained, PERL was assisted by Lieutenant Colonel TEDDY F. WALKOWICZ, who currently is assistant to the Military Director of the Scientific Advisory Board and was formerly Executive Officer to General JAMES DOOLITTLE of the U. S. Air Force. A communication by WALKOWICZ to VON KARMAN, dated October 31, 1947, referred to this collaboration and the completion of this paper. Mrs. RODDENBERRY suggested that WALKOWICZ knew PERL more than he apparently cared to admit, and an interview with him might be advisable unless this has already been done. She especially desired that in the event of an interview with him that he not be informed that she suggested that he be contacted.

Mrs. RODDENBERRY also volunteered the information that Professor P. S. EGILSRUD was an employee of Sverdrup & Parcel Company in their New York office at 870 Lexington Avenue, and was, therefore, acquainted with PERL. His current whereabouts are unknown to her.

Washington Field Office is requested to contact ANDREW G. HALEY, above, unless office records indicate otherwise in an effort to determine any cancelled checks still in his possession reflecting payments made to PERL on VON KARMAN's behalf. Other suggested leads contained herein should await specific instructions from the New York Office.

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Reurlet January 22, 1952, wherein you set forth certain pertinent information obtained as a result of a recent polygraph examination of J. Lawrence Neen at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. It is noted that you suggest an interview with Neen for the purpose of determining his knowledge concerning the activities of subject Perl.

A check has been made of Bufiles concerning J. Lawrence Neen, but no identifiable information of a subversive nature was located therein. You are therefore authorized to conduct an immediate interview with Neen along the lines suggested in your communication.

This interview should be given prompt attention and your report should be in a form suitable for dissemination.

cc: New York (65-15387)

Cleveland (65-2730)

EFE:hc J. Lawrence Neen was born Brooklyn, New York, 12/24/15. He received a BS Degree from Virginia Military Institute in 1939 and subsequently an MS and a Ph.D from the University of Indiana. He was employed as an aeronautical research engineer by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Langley Field, Virginia, and Cleveland, Ohio, between 1941 and 1946, and as a graduate student at Indiana University between 1946 and 1949. Neen is presently employed at the Oak Ridge, Tennessee, National Laboratory. Neen is known to have been acquainted with subject Perl through their mutual employment at NACA Laboratory, Cleveland, and in December, 1949, is known to have made a trip with Perl to the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (116-139931)

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: 1/9/52

FROM : SAC, New York (65-15387)

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SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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Attached are five copies of the report of SA MAURICE W. CORCORAN, New York, 1/9/52.



No local dissemination of instant report outside the Bureau is anticipated with the exception of one copy to the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York. Bureau authority is requested to deliver one copy to the USA, SDNY.

Recent information concerning the financial status of subject and certain members of his family will be set forth in a separate report.

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Reurlet January 9, 1952, in the above-captioned matter, with which you attached copies of the report of SA Maurice W. Corcoran dated at New York January 9, 1952.

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Your office is herewith authorized to make a copy of this report available to the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, for his assistance in connection with the forthcoming prosecution in this matter. It is desired that you promptly advise the Bureau as to the approximate date that the USA anticipates bringing this matter to trial in the SDNY.

As is noted in the report of SA Corcoran, considerable investigation is being conducted with view of determining the identity of the classified material which Perl is alleged to have removed from Columbia University for photographing purposes on a July 4th week end. It is noted that, from information available, the July 4, 1948 week end appears the most logical period when such photographing activities may have taken place. Accordingly, the Washington Field Office is being requested to recontact Major Mark P. Maier, Secretary of the Scientific Advisory Board to the Chief of Staff of the USAF, Washington, D. C., for the purpose of determining the exact nature of any classified documents or material which may have been made available to the office of Dr. Theodore Von Karman immediately preceding July 4, 1948. It should particularly be ascertained whether the Air Force follows the same policy as the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics in having such classified material receipted for on the date when such material is delivered to one of its facilities. In the event such a procedure is followed by the Air Force, it should be determined whether there is any record indicating that subject Perl ever receipted for any classified material or documents in behalf of Dr. Von Karman, particularly during the interested period immediately preceding July 4, 1948.

This matter should receive the immediate attention of the Washington Field Office.

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Assistant Attorney General
James M. McInerney

January 27, 1952

Director, FBI

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There is being transmitted herewith for your information a copy of the report of Special Agent Maurice W. Corcoran dated at New York January 9, 1952, in the above-captioned matter.



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Date: January 7, 1952

To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 M Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Lyman B. Kirkpatrick
Assistant Director for Special Operations

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: MAJOR GENERAL VIKTOR KUVINOV
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Date: January 15, 1952
To: Director
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics
1724 F Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Bell
Security Officer

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM FREL, aka.
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There is being transmitted herewith for your information
a copy of the report of Special Agent Haze H. Scovell, dated at
Washington, D.C., December 28, 1951, in the above-captioned matter.

It will be noted that this report sets forth the results
of an interview with Major Mark P. Maier, Deputy Secretary, Scientific
Advisory Board, Office of Chief of Staff, Washington, D.C. There is
included in this report a list of various documents including NACA
material which were removed from the office of Dr. Theodore Van Karman
at Columbia University, New York City, on June 12, 1951.

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Date: December 5, 1951

To: Director
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics
1784 F Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Bell
Security Officer

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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In the presence of J. E. J. appearing in the attached memo was discussed with Messrs. Stack and Bell by Supervisor E. F. Emrich on 11/20/51.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.
January 11, 1952

To: SAC, Washington Field

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office November 30, 1951 and December 17, 1951.

Re: WILLIAM PERL, aka.,
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J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 65-593
FBI FILE NO. 65-59312
LAB. NO. B-111018 SE
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Examination requested by: Washington Field

Reference: Letters 11/30/51 and 12/12/51

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

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Submitted with Washington Field letter dated November 30, 1951:

Q29 - Q36 Three hundred and thirty-six items consisting of NACA reports and other material removed from the office of Dr. Theodore Van Karman at Columbia University in June 1951, by Major Mark P. Maier, Deputy Secretary, Scientific Advisory Board, Office of Chief of Staff, Pentagon (described as items 1 through 334, 336 and 337 in list attached to Washington Field Office letter of November 30, 1951).

Submitted with Washington Field letter dated December 12, 1951, additional material removed from office of Dr. Von Karman:

Q365 - Q378 Fourteen Project Squid Technical Library Information Confidential reports - Issues 26, 36, 35, 34, 33, 28, 29, 27, 25, 24, 23, 20, 22 and 21.

Q379 Brown notebook containing 5 graphs bound with "asso" type fastener.

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RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

No evidence was found to indicate that any of the following items have been taken apart and reassembled: items 1 through 232, 234 through 240, 242 through 244, 246 through 251, 253 through 255, 257 through 275, 277 through 302, 304, 305, 307 through 330, 334, 336, 337 included with specimens Q29 through Q364 and the 15 items included with specimens Q365 through Q379.

No examination was made of items 245, 252, 331, 332 and 333 to determine whether or not they had been taken apart and reassembled in view of the statement in your letter dated November 30, 1951, that these items need not be examined for this purpose.

No conclusion could be reached whether any of the following items were taken apart and reassembled because of insufficient evidence on which to base a conclusion: items 233, 241, 256, 276, 303 and 306. Nothing of particular significance was noted, however, on any of these items on the basis of the characteristics observed.

It should be noted, with regard to all of the items submitted, that it would be possible to photograph the contents of the items without taking them apart. It cannot be determined from the evidence itself whether any of these items have been photographed in whole or in part.

A separate report will be furnished concerning the request for the examination of the evidence for the presence of latent fingerprints.

The submitted evidence has been forwarded to the Single Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division for the latent fingerprint examination.

None of the items submitted have been photographed in the Laboratory.

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To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
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The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Chief, Security Division

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka William Wetterport
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cc: Director of Naval Intelligence, Department of the Navy (Enclosure)
The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

cc: Director of Special Investigations, The Inspector General (Enclosure)
Department of the Air Force,
The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

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To: Atomic Energy Commission
Building 7-3
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Washington, D. C.

Attention: Captain John A. Wetters
Director
Division of Security

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERI, aka William Butterperl
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Date: January 27, 1952

To: Director
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Attention: Mr. Lynn B. Kirpatrick
Assistant Director for
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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: January 30, 1952

FROM : SAC, Cleveland (65-2730)

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SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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Rerep SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE, 7-20-51, Cleveland and report of SA MAURICE W. CORCORAN, (1-9-52).

Referenced report of SA O'DONOGHUE sets forth, on pages six and seven, a list of ten "Secret" Documents which were, at one time, charged to subject.



It has been learned that the NACA Library at Cleveland has only copies of Titles 1, 5, 7, 9 and 10 and has no record whatsoever of Title 4. Since the Library has but one copy each of titles 1, 5 and 7, the Librarian would prefer that, if desired, copies be procured through NACA, Washington, D.C.



WFO is requested to make inquiry of NACA, Washington, D.C. to ascertain if they have any record of Title 4 of the above mentioned list and determine if a copy was made available to NACA, Cleveland.

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Re Cleveland let January 30, 1952, requesting your office inquire of NACA, Washington, D. C., concerning title of one of 10 secret documents in report SA John B. O'Donoghue dated Cleveland, 7-20-51. Discontinue as Bureau handling through direct contact with NACA.

cc - SAC, New York (65-15387)

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TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC, New York (65-15387)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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DATE: January 29, 1952

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Upon receipt of Bureau approval, Dr. FOLYKARP KUSCH, Executive Officer, Physics Department, Pupin Laboratory, Columbia University, NYC, was interviewed in his office, Room 831, Pupin Building, on 1/8/52, by SA'S JOHN A. HARRINGTON and MAURICE W. CORCORAN.

As the Bureau has been advised previously, the purpose of this interview was to determine primarily KUSCH'S knowledge of the relationship of Dr. THEODORE VON KARMAN and PERL at the laboratory, and also obtain from KUSCH any information concerning PERL'S background and activities at the university during his graduate period and later during his instructorship. Dr. KUSCH exhibited a very cooperative attitude during this interview.

KUSCH stated he was acquainted only casually with VON KARMAN from the time in 1947, when the latter came to the university as a visiting professor. He recalled that VON KARMAN maintained office space at the Pupin Building, but did not know the details of his presence, explaining that in 1947, Dr. I. I. RABI was Executive Officer of the Physics Department, and that he, KUSCH, was only an instructor. He said that he met VON KARMAN in the building elevators, and hallways at infrequent intervals, but that he had never spoken to him in his office, nor had he ever engaged in a formal conversation with him. KUSCH explained that VON KARMAN is a noted aerodynamist, while he, KUSCH, is mainly interested in nuclear physics. KUSCH said that for this reason, they had little in common, and no particular reason to become more closely associated.

Dr. KUSCH was of the opinion that Dr. VON KARMAN and PERL were acquainted prior to their association at Columbia, either through their previous work at the NACA or at California Institute of Technology. When questioned further concerning this alleged acquaintance, Dr. KUSCH could give no further details nor any basis for this belief. He said he may have formed this opinion

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because of VON KARMAN'S interest in aerodynamics, and the fact that PERL was likewise interested and was writing his Doctors dissertation on a related subject. In any event, KUSCH thought that VON KARMAN'S presence at Columbia was the chief factor in PERL'S election of that school for his graduate studies.

Dr. KUSCH recalled that during PERL'S graduate study at Columbia, he was appointed as a laboratory assistant for which he was paid by the university, and that after Dr. VON KARMAN arrived to lecture, as a visiting professor, PERL also acted as his assistant. His duties, in the latter regard, consisted of taking notes on VON KARMAN'S lectures and editing them for publication, doing a certain amount of research concerning them, taking class rolls, and other paper work of an administrative nature. In performing these types of duties PERL of necessity would have had to have access to VON KARMAN'S files, and accordingly would have spent considerable time in VON KARMAN'S office in the laboratory. While Dr. KUSCH did not have personal knowledge of the fact, he presumed that PERL, as an assistant, probably handled other matters for VON KARMAN not specifically connected with the lecture course. He could not be more specific in this regard since he has never discussed the matter with either PERL or VON KARMAN.

Dr. KUSCH said he was not located on the same floor as VON KARMAN'S office during this period, and for this reason did not know whether PERL spent time in VON KARMAN'S office on a scheduled basis. He presumed that in view of PERL'S schedule of classes attended as a student, and his laboratory courses, which he supervised as a laboratory assistant, he probably spent odd hours on different days and a certain amount of evening work.

Concerning the security of the building, Dr. KUSCH stated that since the time when the SAM Laboratory conducted some of its work in the Pupin Building, in connection with the production of the atomic bomb, there has never been a guard or check system of security. All students, professors and office supervisory personnel have ready access to the building. He explained that the Physics Library is located in the laboratory building which necessitates a ready access. The doors are locked about 11:00 p.m. at night and all day on Sunday, but all personnel

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except undergraduate students, may obtain a key to the building from the Department of Buildings and Grounds at any time. He further explained that graduate students may likewise obtain a key at any time with an authorization signed by an instructor or other individual in authority. This arrangement is required in view of the necessity of checking certain types of experiments at given times over a long period.

In view of the above, Dr. KUSCH concluded that PERL could have been in the building in the normal course at any time of the day or night on weekdays or Sundays without question. He said further that almost all professors, instructors and assistants, as well as students, carry briefcases in and out of the building at random, and that their contents are not subject to inspection by anyone. He said that in view of PERL'S position with VON KARMAN and with the university, he was at liberty to take any material in or out of the building, and even if questioned would have been able to supply a satisfactory explanation.

Dr. KUSCH voluntarily made available PERL'S graduate student file for review by interviewing agents. It was noted that he was admitted in October of 1946, and remained in residence from that date until June of 1948. He was appointed as an Assistant in Physics to teach a laboratory class from September of 1947 to June of 1948. In June of 1948, according to the file, he returned to NACA, Cleveland, to write his dissertation for Doctors degree.

By letter dated June 8, 1949, PERL forwarded his dissertation to Columbia in care of Dr. KUSCH for review and acceptance. He stated in this letter that he was also forwarding a copy to Dr. VON KARMAN in Europe.

Also contained in the above file was a letter dated January 16, 1950, from Western Reserve University, School of Medicine, Department of Medicine, Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio, which indicated that PERL had made application to that institution to undertake research work in various subjects related to bio-physics. A request for recommendation was made

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of the Physics Department at Columbia. In reply thereto Dr. P. KUSCH, by letter dated January 25, 1950, favorably recommended PERL.

On February 20, 1950, Professor ENRICO FERMI, on the letter-head of University of Chicago, Institute of Nuclear Studies, Chicago 37, Illinois, directed an inquiry to Dr. KUSCH at Columbia for information concerning PERL, explaining that PERL had made application to do research in nuclear physics at that institution. Thereafter, Dr. KUSCH replied to this letter with a favorable recommendation.

It is noted that page 64 of New York report, dated October 26, 1950, summarizes a letter dated March 26, 1950, which PERL sent to his mother, advising that he may be sent to the University of Chicago for advanced study and training and that he had had some informal telephone conversations with "Prof. FERMI."

On May 13, 1950, PERL wrote a letter from Cleveland to Dr. KUSCH which is being quoted herein due to its apparent relation to PERL'S activities and other events in the GOLD-ROSENBERG investigations.

"16802 Larchwood Avenue
Cleveland 11, Ohio
May 13, 1950

"Professor P. Kusch
Columbia University
New York, New York

"Dear Professor Kusch:

"You may recall a discussion we had last Fall when I completed requirements for the doctorate. In response to my somewhat agitated concern as to how best to continue working in physics on the fundamental research level you expressed the opinion that a university position involving teaching and research provided a reasonable opportunity and environment for such work.

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"I have, unfortunately, not yet resolved the problem of achieving a proper research set-up. My present position at the NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory is, I am now fairly sure, substantially incompatible with research on the fundamental level even, in fact, in the field of flight propulsion. At any rate I wish to go in the direction of nuclear and elementary particle physics. I am, therefore, writing to inquire whether a position at Columbia such as you referred to last Fall is available and for which I might apply.

"I hope to be in New York at the end of May and should be happy if I could see you then concerning this matter.

"Sincerely yours,

W.P. / WILLIAM PERL"

In response to the above Professor KUSCH, by letter dated June 1, 1950, offered PERL an instructorship at Columbia.

The Bureau's attention is invited to the conversation with Dr. KUSCH mentioned in PERL'S letter of May 13, 1950. Dr. KUSCH stated he could not recall specifically the time of this conversation and the review of the above graduate file failed to reveal any notation of it. He presumed that it would have been at the time or subsequent to PERL'S final examinations for his Doctorate, which were in October and November, 1949. It is noted that PERL was required to complete a Personnel Security Questionnaire on November 18, 1949, in connection with his NACA employment, and that for several months thereafter he was under investigation by this office and his loyalty board. It is further noted that PERL'S correspondence with the University of Chicago and with Western Reserve University to effect a change in his employment corresponds in the element of time with the progress of PERL'S investigation, and specifically with the disposition of the SARANT apartment in New York City, the arrest of KLAUS FUCHS in England, and subsequent investigation leading to the arrest of HARRY GOLD in May of 1950, and GREENGLASS and the ROSENBERGS shortly thereafter. It is noted specifically

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previous investigation has indicated that on April 22, 1950, PERL submitted a letter to the NACA Loyalty Board answering allegations made by that Board, that on May 1, 1950, he was sent a questionnaire to be completed and executed under oath; and further that on May 9, 1950, he returned the completed questionnaire. Thereafter on May 13, 1950, he directed a letter to Dr. KUSCH in which he mentions "his somewhat agitated concern to continue working in physics on a fundamental research level," which necessitated a change in his employment.

The significance, if any, of the above analogy is of course unknown, although it will be borne in mind in the event of future interviews with the subject.

At the conclusion of the above interview with Dr. KUSCH, he suggested other individuals at the laboratory who might be in a position to assist in this investigation. Interviews with these individuals will be made the subject of a separate communication.

Thereafter, Dr. KUSCH brought up a previous interview with an agent of the New York Office concerning instant case. He stated that he desired to apologize for his attitude on that date and explained that it was due to the condition of his health. It is noted that this previous interview was with SA EDWARD C. MORGAN, Jr., on August 3, 1950, concerning which the Bureau has been advised. KUSCH explained that he had undergone surgery on his hand which was very painful at the time of the previous interview, and further, just prior thereto, he had undergone the usual inoculations necessary for an anticipated European trip, which made him ill on the day in question. Dr. KUSCH stated "while like many educators, I do not personally see the reason for some investigations conducted by the F.B.I., and the Government generally, I realize that they (the investigators) are in a better position than I to decide." He said that he felt he was entirely responsible for the results of the previous interview and that he did not wish to let it stand on the record as it was not fair to this office, to the university, nor to himself or to WILLIAM PERL. He said there was nothing in the conduct of the interviewing agent which precipitated his demeanor, and that he felt it definitely would not have occurred had he been feeling well.

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Dr. KUSCH said that in the future he would welcome inquiries by this office concerning any subject, and that the F.B.I. could depend upon him for full cooperation.

It should be noted that the entire interview was conducted on a very friendly and cooperative basis, and that Dr. KUSCH volunteered the above explanation without any allusion thereto by interviewing agents. At the conclusion thereof, Dr. KUSCH was thanked for his cooperation extended during instant visit and for his explanation of his attitude on the previous occasion.

In accordance with authority contained in Bulet to NY, dated 1/14/52, entitled "Dr. POLYKARP KUSCH, Security Matter-C," Bufile 100-373622, the non-interview card concerning Dr. KUSCH has been removed in this office.

Mr. Jones, Room 4536

DIRECTOR, FBI

January 10, 1952

Mr. Ladd

DR. POLYKARP KUSCH
SECURITY MATTER - C

PURPOSE

To inform you that Dr. Polykarp Kusch, Professor at Columbia University, was interviewed on January 8, 1952, and was both friendly and cooperative during the interview. He apologized for his attitude at the time of the previous interview and offered his full cooperation with the Bureau in any future matters.

To recommend that Dr. Kusch be removed from the non-interview list on which his name was placed in September, 1950, to enable his future contact in Bureau matters.

DETAILS

You will recall that in a memorandum from Mr. Hennrich to Mr. Belmont, dated November 26, 1951, it was recommended that in view of the apparent change in attitude on the part of Dr. Polykarp Kusch, Professor in the Science Department at Columbia University, New York City, the New York Office be authorized to reinterview him in connection with the case on William Perl, a suspected member of the Rosenberg espionage network. It was pointed out that Dr. Polykarp Kusch had been placed on a non-interview list by the Bureau in September, 1950, by reason of his uncooperative and belligerent attitude when interrogated in connection with the Perl case in August, 1950.

Dr. Polykarp Kusch, pursuant to Bureau authorization, was interviewed at the Pupin Physics Laboratory, Columbia University, on January 8, 1952. During the course of the interview he was very cooperative in answering all questions propounded, he produced Perl's graduate file and volunteered explanatory information concerning the same, as well as offered copies of any material contained therein. It was indicated that the interview was conducted on a very friendly and cooperative basis.

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During the course of this interview Dr. Kusch advised he was desirous of apologizing for his attitude at the time of his previous interview and explained that this attitude was due to the condition of his health at the time. He mentioned that he had undergone surgery on his hand, which was very painful, prior to the previous interview and also had taken a number of inoculations which were required due to his anticipated European trip.

Dr. Kusch mentioned that while he personally did not see the reason for some of the investigations conducted by the FBI and the Government, he generally realized that the investigating agencies were in a better position than he to make a determination as to the necessity thereof. He stated that in the future he would welcome inquiries by the FBI on any subject in which the Bureau might be interested.

The New York Office has advised that they were likewise submitting recommendations with the view of having the non-interview card as to Dr. Kusch removed so that he can be contacted in future Bureau matters.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that in view of Dr. Kusch's present attitude his name be removed from the non-interview list so as to enable his future interview in connection with Bureau matters.

If you approve, a letter is being attached hereto authorizing the New York Office to contact Dr. Kusch in connection with any future Bureau matters, but cautioning that Office to be circumspect in their contacts with him.

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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP R, PERJURY. DR. POLYKARP KUSCH INTERVIEWED RE INSTANT CASE AT PUPIN LABORATORY, COLUMBIA, JAN EIGHT PER APPOINTMENT. KUSCH VERY COOPERATIVE IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS PUT TO HIM. PRODUCED PERL-S GRADUATE FILE AND VOLUNTEERED EXPLANATORY INFO RE SAME, AS WELL AS OFFERING COPIES OF MATERIAL CONTAINED THEREIN. WAS ONLY CASUALLY ACQUAINTED WITH VON KARMAN BUT GAVE KNOWN DETAILS RE PERL-S RELATIONSHIP WITH VON KARMAN AND HIS ACCESS TO VON KARMAN-S FILES. ALSO SUGGESTED OTHER INDIVIDUALS AT PUPIN WHO MIGHT ASSIST THIS INVESTIGATION. AT TERMINATION OF INTERVIEW, KUSCH BROUGHT UP A PREVIOUS INTERVIEW WITH THIS OFFICE CONCERNING PERL CASE. WE STATED HE DESIRED TO APOLOGIZE FOR HIS ATTITUDE THAT DAY AND EXPLAINED SAME TO BE DUE TO CONDITION OF HIS HEALTH AT THAT TIME. SAID HE HAD RECENTLY UNDERGONE SURGERY ON HIS HAND WHICH WAS VERY PAINFUL AT TIME OF PREVIOUS INTERVIEW AND FURTHER, JUST PRIOR THERETO HE HAD UNDERGONE USUAL INNOCULATIONS NECESSARY FOR ANTICIPATED EUROPEAN TRIP.

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January 14, 1952

DIRECTOR, FBI, (100-375622)

DR. POLYKARP KUSCH
SECURITY MATTER - C

Reurtele 1/9/52 in the case entitled "William Perle (aka) Espionage - Et Perjury," which sets forth results of your recent interview with Dr. Polykarp Kusch, of the Pupin Physics Laboratory, Columbia University.

In view of Dr. Kusch's present attitude his name is being removed from the Bureau's non-interview list and you are being authorized to contact him in connection with any future applicants and other Bureau matters where good judgment dictates that he might be in a position to furnish information of assistance to the Bureau. You are cautioned, however, that you should be circumspect in any of these future contacts with Dr. Kusch.

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Date: January 25, 1952

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Gilbert R. Levy
Chief
Counter Intelligence Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka;
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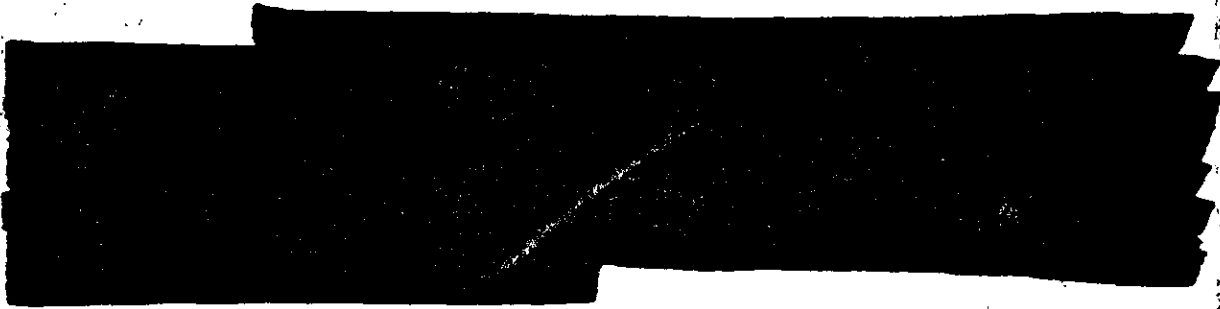
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Your expeditious attention to this matter will be appreciated. (u)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: 1/29/52

FROM : SAC, DENVER (65-743)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka
ESPIONAGE - R, PERJURY

Relet from Washington Field to Director
December 12, 1951.

It has been ascertained from Mrs. PAUL
BIRNBAUM, 1180 Colorado Blvd., Denver, Colorado,
that MORRIS MELVIN BIRNBAUM is her son and that he
is currently a student at Kansas University, Lawrence,
Kansas, where he can be contacted. She advised
that when he is not in school, he ordinarily spends
his time at the residence of his wife, 3540 North
Grand Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri.

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CC: Washington Field Office (65-5543)
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Kansas City

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WILLIAM PERL, aka
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Re Denver let January 29, 1952, advising that Morris Melvin Birnbaum is now a student at the University of Kansas at Lawrence, Kansas.

A review of Bufiles has failed to reflect any identifiable subversive information concerning Birnbaum. It is noted that your office was previously furnished with copy of WFO let of December 12, 1951, setting forth the background of Birnbaum and pointing out his apparent friendship with both subject Perl and his brother, Samuel Perl, the latter of whom is now studying in Paris, France, under the GI Bill of Rights.

It is mentioned for your information that in the report of SA John E. O'Donoghue dated at Cleveland, September 27, 1950, there is set forth the results of an authorized search of subject Perl's apartment in Cleveland, Ohio. Further, that as a result of this search there was located a letter directed to subject Perl by Birnbaum dated February 8, 1950. A review of this letter reflected that Birnbaum was, at the time, employed by the Government but was contemplating returning to college in the Fall to obtain his Masters Degree. Mention was also made therein as to a discussion which Birnbaum had with Perl at Columbia University, wherein the latter pointed out the value of continuing one's education.

In this connection, your attention is invited to the information previously received from Max Elitcher, one of the government witnesses in the recent Rosenberg espionage trial. According to Elitcher, both Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell, convicted members of this Soviet espionage group, were making efforts to recruit various students in order to secure their assistance in the future espionage activities of the group. The statements of David Greenglass, convicted Soviet espionage agent, pertaining to the efforts of Rosenberg to have him return to a university for graduate work, is also of interest in this connection.

Your office is hereby authorized to conduct an immediate interview with Morris Melvin Birnbaum unless information might appear in the files of your division which would make such interview undesirable at the present time. This interview should be for the purpose of determining full information as to his association and contact with subject Perl, as well as knowledge of the activities of Perl. Birnbaum should be closely questioned concerning the nature of his discussion or discussions with Perl at Columbia University as referred to in the previously mentioned letter. In questioning him in this regard, you should, of course, bear in mind the possibility that at the time of this discussion Perl was attempting to recruit him as one of the future members in the Rosenberg espionage network.

This interview should be given your immediate attention.

cc - SAC, New York

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(A check of Bufiles has reflected that Birnbaum was born February 18, 1922, at New York City. He attended CUNY from 1939 to 1942, receiving the degree of B.S.E. in February, 1949. Birnbaum was previously employed as an assistant radio technician in the Philadelphia Signal Depot, Phila., Pa., as an electronics mechanic in the U. S. Coast Guard, Staten Island, New York, the General Electric Supply Corporation, New York City, and the Rural Electrification Administration in Washington, D. C. He is presently attending graduate school at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas. (65-59312-606)

(A check of Bufiles has failed to reflect any identifiable information indicating espionage or subversive activities on the part of Birnbaum.)

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Date: January 24, 1952

VIA LEISON

To: Director of Naval Intelligence
Department of the Navy
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka,
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DATE: February 5, 1952

TO : Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM : SAC, Cleveland (65-2730)

SUBJECT: *PEARL* PERL, aka
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F. B. RICHARDS, Office of Counsel, Cleveland Trust Company, has advised that he is unable to further identify the deposits to PERL's accounts which are set forth in referenced letters.

PAUL PURCELL, Assistant Auditor, Central National Bank, Cleveland, Ohio, advised SA (A) CARL A. HEEPING that he has been unable to identify the \$200 deposit of June 11, 1948 or the other items mentioned in referenced letters.

In attempting to identify the deposits (mentioned in referenced New York letter) of April 29, 1949 and April 28, 1950, the following is noted:

During April of 1949, PERL's salary check totaled \$237.59. It is noted that no deposits were made between April 8 and April 29, 1949 and that the deposit of April 29 is \$475.18, which is equal to two salary checks. It is probable that PERL merely withheld depositing his checks for two pay periods until that date.

The \$460.70 deposit of April 28, 1950 may well be a combination of two salary checks (then \$280.35) less \$100.00. In this regard PURCELL has advised that he was able to locate a deposit slip for this date which indicated that PERL had in fact deposited two checks totaling \$560.70 deducting \$100.00 and crediting his account with the balance.

The \$1564.67 withdrawal of November 11, 1949 could not be traced; however, according to GEORGE MITCHELL, Office Manager, Frank C. Grismer Auto Agency, PERL purchased a 1949 Dodge on November 11, 1949, paying \$1614.67. Since PERL withdrew the \$1564.67 item and an item of \$40.00 on the eleventh of

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November, it would appear logical to assume that the item in question was used in purchasing the above referred to automobile.

SA (A) CARL A. HERRING made inquiry of the Federal Reserve Bank in Cleveland to ascertain if PEFL had been the subject of any forms TCR-1 with negative results.

Mr. McCarthy

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Date: January 7, 1952

To: Atomic Energy Commission
Building T-3
16th & Constitution Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Captain John A. Waters
Director
Division of Security

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Date: January 7, 1952

To: Director
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics
1724 F Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Ball
Security Officer

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.
Attention: Chief, Security Division

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, aka
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